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COMMITTEE OF HOME MISSIONS.

THE NEW YEAR.

This number of the MONTHLY RECORD closes and opens eventful years in our Presbyterian annals. The past has witnessed the happy reunion of two of the largest branches of the Presbyterian family in the world. The conviction every where prevails that it was "the finger of God." The various Boards are re-adjusting themselves for larger work, and, we trust, for larger successes. 1870 points to abundant grounds for thanksgiving and joy.

Will the MONTHLY RECORD for 1871 fill her pages with the history of greater doings and endureings, greater efforts and successes for the salvation of our dear country and the world? *We hope so.* The state of the world is hopeful from its very agitations and revolutions, for they portend the time of "overturning," and the coming of "Him whose right it is."

Let the presbyteries, the churches, the ministers, the members, all gird their loins for the great work, to which they are called by Him, whose hands, once nailed to the cross, now open the gates of this new year to His people. May songs of thanksgiving and gladness attend their close.

STARTING RIGHT.

In the reunion of the two branches of the Presbyterian Church it was a necessity that the Home Missionary work should pass into the hands of a new Board. No one in the new organization could be acquainted with the half of the missionaries or their fields of labour; hence, the necessity for full and accurate information concerning every application for aid became apparent at an early day. And, in the absence of such information, serious and vexatious delays have occurred in many cases. A list of

"Rules" or instructions has been adopted by the Board, and published in the October and November numbers of this magazine, for the benefit of all our ministers and churches.

All the Board desires, and all the rules demand, is to furnish the materials on which the Board can form an accurate judgment. *Let us have all the facts bearing on any case, and we will try to act promptly, intelligently, and impartially.*

1. We want to know the town and the county in which is the church making application. If, for instance, the letter be dated "Franklin," there is a town of Franklin in twenty-eight States and Territories. Besides, this may be none of them, but some new town on the frontier not yet found on any map. Give us the name of the county, too; so that if the name of the town be wanting, we may at least find the county; and, thereby, proximately learn the relation of the church to known or projected lines of railway and tides of population.

2. We need to know the population of the town, that we may estimate the price of house-rent and the cost of living. We need to know the number and names of the other evangelical denominations in the place and neighborhood, that we may estimate the spiritual necessities of the people, and the prospects for rapid growth, and early self-support. And we need to know the number of persons in the family of the missionary for whom aid is sought, that we may know why the Presbytery would make his salary either more or less than that of other missionaries in the same neighborhood or Presbytery.

3. We need to know the entire salary of the missionary. Frequently aid is asked by a church for the services of a missionary *half the time*, and nothing is said about his manner of spending the other half; or, what is his remuneration for the same. If a church raises eight hundred and fifty dollars per annum for its minister, and we are asked for one hundred and fifty dollars, if the amount raised by the people be not stated, we might be led to appropriate the one hundred and fifty dollars, but it would be doing injustice to others, because the whole sum, one thousand dollars, would be more than the salary of the most of our missionaries. But if half his time be given to a church that is self-sustaining and pays him six hundred dollars, and we are asked to give him two hundred and fifty dollars, to make five hundred dollars for the other half the time, we cannot act wisely or justly to others unless we know these facts, much less if half his time is spent as an Insurance Agent or carrying on a good farm. We need to be informed as to the entire salary of each applicant, and the sources from which it is to be derived.

4. We need to have before us, and to put on file, the original application of the church together with the endorsement of the Presbytery or the Presbyterian Committee. The Stated Clerk sometimes sends us his certificate that the Presbytery at its late meeting considered the applications from such and such churches, giving their names, and adding that they were recommended to us for aid in given specified amounts. This is

very unsatisfactory. We need and we are thankful for the judgment and the endorsement of the Presbytery. But *we also need* all the facts on which they based their judgment. The intention of the Assembly is that the facts in every case, and the judgment of the Presbytery also, are to be submitted to us, for we have to weigh the judgment of every Presbytery against all the others.

Let then the application, in every case, be made in writing and signed by the proper officers; let the opinion of the Presbytery on the case be added, and let all them be forwarded to us.

But there is then needed a Presbyterial Committee, *ad interim*, who can act on any application that may come up between the regular meetings of the Presbytery; and frequently a committee of three, acting more deliberately than they could do in the hurry of Presbyterial business, will also act more freely and more wisely.

We are frequently asked why we do not furnish blank applications to be filled up by churches needing aid. We fear such a plan would fail to embrace all the important and material facts in many cases. All applications have some things in common, but nearly every one has some peculiar claim to our consideration, on which, perhaps, the whole plea turns, which would not be common to others, but which it is better to write out in full and transmit to our Board. Give us all the facts about every case, and, according to the wisdom God has given us, and the means the churches furnish, we will distribute to every man severally as he has need.

Finally, if the writers would not overtax the patience and eyesight of the readers, let them remember to write their applications in a plain bold hand.

Authors, and ministers, and others who write much, at length often come to write badly, and then if they write with ink that has been frozen, or reduced by many additions of water, is it any marvel if their requests are not speedily granted?

In thus attempting to show the importance of our Rules, and the eminent propriety and necessity of adopting them, we hope we have not only secured a new perusal of them, when at hand; but would also give notice that we can furnish them to any who need them, on application to either of the Secretaries of the Board; at least we hope to leave the impression on the minds of all our readers, that we must have—that we cannot act without—all the facts in every case that are necessary to form an honest and accurate judgment on the same.

REPORT FROM WISCONSIN.

My fifth year at S. is about closing. At the end of every quarter I am tempted not to review the three preceding months merely, but the entire period I have spent here. It is pleasant to note the progress in this and that and

the other. I cannot speak of great things as accomplished here in the past five years, for we have had but a small population to work on, and yet it can truly be said that *in proportion to our population*, and to *the obstacles to be overcome*, the Presbyterian church of

S. has done a good work in that time. She has quadrupled her membership, trebled the evening congregation, doubled the morning congregation, greatly increased her liberality, and secured a foothold in S——— that is confessedly first and strongest. It is true the figures underlying the above statements seem small, but in all cases the true figures do not appear. Those dismissed to other churches are not reported. Those converted, who have gone to other places, are not reported. And few who read the figures are aware how great a comparative success is represented by them. In a certain report you read, "two members received." One of them is a lady of influence and means. She has a large family that immediately comes under Christian influence. She takes a class in Sabbath-school. She labors with an abandoned woman till that soul is plucked as a brand from the burning. She is ever ready to help a soul heavenward.

In another report you read, "one received on profession." He, too, is the head of a large family. He establishes family prayer and household religion. He always has a word and a prayer in the prayer-meeting. He labors in business hours, or on the street to lead men to Christ. He becomes a great stay and support to the pastor in every good word and work, and often deals with the souls of his old companions in sin, whom his pastor can do little with. But they listen as their once boon companion tells them why he gave up the saloon, and the dance, and the card-table for the love of Christ and the gospel hope.

In another report you read, "one received on profession, a young man of promise." That young man studies for the ministry. While yet at home he has scores of names on his list, for whom he is praying, and to whom he talks. He does not cross out a name till he hears of a conversion. He goes to college, and while marked high in

all his studies, is marked higher in the Christian life. He labors and prays with impenitent fellow students. He is always at the daily and weekly prayer-meetings ready to work. He has a Sabbath-school four miles in the country. He assists an experienced Christian lady in maintaining a mission service every Monday night in town. He labors for souls in the hot summer term and in vacations. Is it not worth while to have such conversions? Will not a few who labor thus for Christ exert a greater Christian and saving influence, than the hundreds who, after making a profession and swelling the numbers of the church, sink back into an idle, lethargic Christianity; perchance dancing and toying life away in sinful conformity with the world about them?"

REPORT FROM KENTUCKY.

I herewith send final—the fourth—report of work in connection with Mission Chapel of First Presbyterian church in this city, for the year ending November 18th, 1870. Since the last report the church has adopted weekly systematic benevolence for contingent expenses, and the various Boards of the church; and, also, weekly voluntary payments towards my support. The salary has thus been increased from twelve hundred and fifty, to over eighteen hundred dollars—at present rates of offerings which increase weekly. Therefore, I am requested to inform the Board of Home Missions, that the coming amount due, on quarter ending the 18th of this month, November, will be the final application for their aid, towards support of the gospel here. We have received into our communion during the year just ended, fifty-two persons on profession of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, more than half of that number being young and middle-aged men. The Master hath done great things for this people, who, in large part, are watching unto prayer.

Our Southern brethren insisted on

and did *accomplish* a division of the Church. But the wrath of man has praised God.

If they thought to leave the Assembly Church dead, they were as much mistaken as were the Jews and heathen at Lystra, who left our Christ-loving Paul without the city "*supposing he had been dead*." Howbeit, as the disciples *stood round about him, he rose up.*"

It has been a resurrection year in this honored church, that has witnessed the labors of such Christ-servers as Edgar, Breckenridge, Grundy, and McClung.

Please accept my personal thanks for the promptness with which remittances have been sent heretofore.

I remain truly yours,
G. M. McC.

IOWA.

Rev. and Dear Brother:—By the time this reaches you the labors of another quarter will be nearly ended. During the last three months I have met with considerable encouragement. On the 24th of July we organized a church at A——, which is one part of my field, with twelve members, most of which will, I trust, be active and efficient workers. We hope to receive a few others soon. We have just contracted for a church building at A——, which will cost about two thousand one hundred dollars, and the work will likely be commenced this week. We hope to have the building enclosed and ready to be occupied this season.

At this place we are still laboring under many discouragements. However, we have received a few additions to our church by letter, and we hope to have a building soon. I am now trying to secure a church-lot from the town company, and as soon as it is given, and I am quite confident of getting it, we will likely make a contract to have a building erected that

will cost about two thousand dollars. If we can only succeed in getting a church building we will be securely established here.

HOW A CHURCH IS RAISED UP AT THE WEST.

A Missionary in Nebraska writes as follows. At the first, the people came to the Railroad for me, a distance of twenty-five miles, and then would bring me back again after the Sabbath. This was done several times, making a journey of one hundred miles to get me to and from my appointments. At the time of the organization we met in a little room about sixteen feet square. It had neither doors nor windows, and was only in fact weather-boarded but in part. It was a cold windy day and this was the only place where we could be accommodated with a room in all that community. Our services were necessarily lengthy, but as I was encased in a good warm overcoat well buttoned and was constantly exercising in speaking, I kept from suffering. But how the people could endure it I am unable to say. They did bear it, however, bravely and without serious damage.

When the weather became a little warmer we held our services under some large elms on the banks of the Nemaha creek or river. The Missionary went there about a year ago and at once began to agitate the subject of building a church. At first, however, he had to build a roof to cover his own head. One of the brethren shared his own rude dwelling with him in the meantime for three or four weeks. Finally with hard work and many discouragements the little house was so far completed as to afford them a partial covering and shelter from the approaching winter. They occupied it for a dwelling and at the same time for a church during the winter, and this spring went on with the church building. It looked like an almost hopeless task for so few and so poor a little band to undertake

the work of building a church. Most of them lived in little houses—some of them quite rude and uncomfortable. They were compelled to wear their old clothes—ladies with hats and bonnets several years behind the fashions, and men with their old soldier overcoats that they wore years before on the battlefield.

But they *needed a church*, and in the face of all the discouragements they *determined to have it*. They raised on the field what they could, and then applied to and obtained from the Board of Church Erection five hundred dollars. Never was there a gift more worthily bestowed or more thankfully received. I cannot speak too highly of the self-denying labors of the pastor in accomplishing this work. He has toiled night and day, working with his own hands and with his own team to supplement his meager salary and to get a shelter for his family and a place of worship completed. He still lives in an unfinished and uncomfortable little place hardly worthy of the name of a house, but the church is finished and dedicated. There is another that deserves honorable mention. I refer to one of the elders. The other elder is

too aged and infirm to do much except by his subscription and his prayers and counsels. But the first mentioned elder has a family of six children to support. He has plenty of land, but as yet it is new and unproductive, and he lives in a small uncomfortable house on a very small income, and in the most economical way. The burden of church building has fallen chiefly upon him. Last spring he planted his corn, and as he had no help, not a plow nor a hoe has been put into it from that day to this. He has studied and planned and economized in every way to accomplish the grand end in view, the completion of the church. He and his family have worn their old threadbare, out-of-date clothes, and every available cent has been put into the church. Twelve times, I think it is, he has gone to Nebraska city, twenty-five miles distant, for material for the Lord's house, carrying his own provisions with him, and sleeping under his wagon on the damp ground, and sometimes in the rain. If God rewards the giving of a cup of cold water, I am sure such self-denial and such labor will not be forgotten.

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<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —Westminster ch, Mrs John McFarland 1 ^o , a Member for October 6= 16; Broadway ch 23 87; Aisquith St ch 11 24; Emmetsburg ch 23 10; Piney Creek ch 20 40; Hagerstown ch 30 86; Lonaconing ch 18; Baton ch 22; Taneytown ch 104 16; Bethel ch 15; Quarries ch 5 16 294 79	<i>Pby of Colorado</i> —Corinne ch 23 30
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Johnstown ch 75; Blairsville ch 93; New Alexandria ch 161 70, of which Sab-seh 13 329 70	<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Lower Brandywine ch and Sab-seh 50; Oxford ch 185 70 235 70
<i>Pby of Buffalo</i> —Westminster ch, from O Gridley 5; Clarence ch 11 15 16 15	<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Montgomery ch 23 16; 5th ch Cincinnati 31 70; Somerset ch 9 21; Lebanon 1st ch 60; Cincinnati 2d Ger ch 10; Goshen ch 22; Pleasant Run ch 33 189 07
	<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Linn Grove ch 36 62

<i>Ply of Columbia</i> —New Lebanon ch 14 50 ; Centre-ville ch 6 18 ; Durham 2d ch 26 20	46 88
<i>Ply of Cairo</i> —Richview ch 34 ; Pisgah ch 10 ; Richland ch 15 ; Hermon ch 5 ; Salem ch 10 70 ; Olney ch 17 40 ; Golconda ch 6	98 10
<i>Ply of Coldwater</i> —Sturgis ch	19 40
<i>Ply of Carlisle</i> —Harrisburg 7th St ch 30 ; Gettysburg ch 58 61 ; Paxton ch 72 ; Middle Spring ch 135 75	297 36
<i>Ply of Chicago</i> —Linn and Hebron chs 20 ; Kankakee 1st ch 21 20 ; Eighth ch 8 20 ; Chicago 2d ch, in part 350 ; Manteno ch 5	404 40
<i>Ply of Cedar Rapids</i> —Anamosa ch 2 ; Marion ch 22 43 ; Sniloh ch 5	29 43
<i>Ply of Clarion</i> —Clarion 1st ch 40 35 ; New Rehoboth ch 42 85	83 29
<i>Ply of Cayuga</i> —Port Byron ch	41 47
<i>Ply of Chemung</i> —Burdett ch	21 00
<i>Ply of Columbus</i> —Blendon ch, add'l, 14 ; Hoge ch 21 20 ; Central ch, Circleville 71 40	109 60
<i>Ply of Champlain</i> —Essex ch	18 55
<i>Ply of Dayton</i> —Springfield 2d ch, in part 100 ; New Jersey ch 23 ; Piqua 2d ch 20 ; Yellow Springs 1st ch 17 ; Piqua 1st ch 50	210 00
<i>Ply of Detroit</i> —Detroit 1st ch 600 63, of which J S Farrand 125 ; Mt Clemens ch 33 ; Holly ch 32 96 ; Saline ch 22 35	688 94
<i>Ply of Des Moines</i> —Woodburn ch 12 ; Dinsmore 1st ch 18 ; Corydon 1st ch 7	37 00
<i>Ply of Dubuque</i> —Lansing ch 10 ; Bellevue ch 5 ; Lime Springs ch 6 40	21 40
<i>Ply of Emporia</i> —Emporia 1st ch	17 00
<i>Ply of Erie</i> —Meadville 1st ch 75 ; Corry ch 30 ; Girard ch 15 07	120 07
<i>Ply of Elizabeth</i> —Elizabeth 1st ch 600 42 ; Plainfield 1st ch 51 ; Port Elizabeth ch 44	695 42
<i>Ply of Freeport</i> —Rockford 1st ch 75 ; Fulton St ch, Peoria Sab-sch 56 ; Lena ch 13 ; Queen Ann Ger ch 3 ; Harvard ch 6 ; Freeport 1st ch 64 05 ; Warren 1st ch 18 ; Galena 1st ch 81 07	316 12
<i>Ply of Fort Dodge</i> —Clarksville ch 12 ; Fort Dodge ch 20 81	32 81
<i>Ply of Geneva</i> —Hopewell ch, from O Babcock	5 00
<i>Ply of Genesee</i> —Portageville ch 58, of which 30 memorial ; Bath ch 30 ; Warsaw ch 52 15 ; Orangeville ch 25 ; Byron ch 40	205 15
<i>Ply of Grand Rapids</i> —Westminster, Grand Rapids ch	52 53
<i>Ply of Huntington</i> —Altoona 2d ch 133 60 ; Pine Grove ch 16 60 ; Moshannon ch 1 12 ; Snow Shoe ch 2 78 ; Milesburg ch 16 10 ; Shade Gap ch 10 ; Spruce Creek ch 246 07 ; Hollidaysburg ch 27 60 ; Bedford ch 70 ; Alexandria ch Sab-sch 40 (memorial) ; Waynesburg ch 22 20	586 07
<i>Ply of Huron</i> —Monroeville ch 10 ; Peru ch 12 15 ; Olena ch 18 30 ; Plymouth ch 15	55 45
<i>Ply of Highland</i> —Holton ch	7 20
<i>Ply of Hudson</i> —Coection ch 7 ; Florida ch mon col 6 ; Ranapo ch 32 64 ; White Lake ch 8 20 ; Hopewell ch 68, of which Sab-sch 16 16 ; Goshen ch 74 40 ; Washingtonville 1st ch 16 06	212 30
<i>Ply of Iowa City</i> —Mechanicsville ch 12 68 ; Davenport 1st ch 22 17 ; Deep River ch 15 ; Fairfax ch 2 60 ; Fulton ch 5	57 45
<i>Ply of Iowa</i> —Ottumwa ch 7 ; Mt Pleasant Ger ch 9 ; Bloomfield ch 9 50 ; Fairfield ch 14 75	40 25
<i>Ply of Illinois</i> —Decatur ch	23 00
<i>Ply of Indianapolis</i> —Indianapolis 7th ch 15 ; Boxley ch 5 ; Southport ch 10 50 ; Union ch 13 34 ; Hopewell ch 26 23 ; Carpentersville ch 5 25 ; Shiloh ch 2 ; New Pisgah ch 5 25 ; Indianapolis 5th ch 11	93 58
<i>Ply of Ithaca</i> —Mecklenburg ch 10 ; Ithaca ch 17 02	27 02
<i>Ply of Jersey City</i> —Claremont ch	70 00
<i>Ply of Kingston</i> —Bethel ch, Kingston	20 00
<i>Ply of Kalamazoo</i> —Maple Grove ch	11 50
<i>Ply of Kittanning</i> —Cherry Tree ch	10 00
<i>Ply of Lansing</i> —North Star ch	7 00
<i>Ply of Lackawanna</i> —Newton ch 10 ; Wilkesbarre ch, add'l, 220 ; Kingston ch, add'l, 38 30, of which Sab-sch 3 63 ; Wyalusing ch 16 ; Herrick ch 4 ; Montrose ch 17 ; Nicholson ch 14 86 ; Canton ch 34, of which Sab-sch 2 ; Abington ch 25 ; Meshoppen and Mehoopany chs 10 389 16	
<i>Ply of Lehigh</i> —Bethlehem ch 30 ; Rev W F Honeyman 10	40 00
<i>Ply of Lima</i> —Truro ch 7 55 ; Rockport ch 2 05 ; Sidney 1st ch 26 ; Lima Central ch 12	47 60
<i>Ply of Lyons</i> —Ontario ch 10 ; Sodus ch 7	17 00
<i>Ply of Long Island</i> —Islip ch 13 65 ; Setauket ch 18	31 65
<i>Ply of Mankato</i> —Sumner ch	4 50
<i>Ply of Marion</i> —Marion ch 40 ; Radnor ch 6 ; Marysville ch 19 ; Mt Gilead ch 34 ; Liberty ch 14 50 ; York ch 12 50	126 00
<i>Ply of Monmouth</i> —Port Washington ch 8 12 ; Tennent ch 20 ; Bordentown ch 7 25 ; Manchester ch 25 ; Jamesburg ch 75 ; Mt Holly ch 65	380 37
<i>Ply of Morris and Orange</i> —South St ch, Morristown, add'l, 50, from Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 800 = 850 ; Morristown 1st ch, quarterly col 170 08 ; Mendham 1st ch 75 28	1095 36
<i>Ply of Monroe</i> —Blissfield 1st ch 7 10 ; Monroe ch, from H H Boyd 50	57 10
<i>Ply of Missouri River</i> —Helena ch 25 ; Salem and Falls City chs 5	30 00
<i>Ply of Maumee</i> —West Bethesda ch 6 ; Toledo 1st ch 10 ; Defiance ch 15 ; Delta ch 6 50 ; Westminster ch, Toledo 145 75 ; Toledo 2d ch 2 ; Mt Salem ch 17 ; Bowling Green ch 23 34	225 50
<i>Ply of Milwaukee</i> —North ch, Milwaukee	55 50
<i>Ply of Muncie</i> —Union City ch 15 19 ; Hartford ch 3	18 19
<i>Ply of Mattoon</i> —Hebron ch	8 00
<i>Ply of New York</i> —Ch of the Covenant, in part 1690 69 ; Madison Square ch, from Z S Ely, Esq, a balance 509 ; Fifth Ave and Nineteenth St ch, from Lucius Hopkins, Esq 500 (memorial) ; Scotch ch, in part 546 ; Harlem ch 23 68 ; Washington Heights ch 141 80 ; Third Ave ch Miss'y Chapel and Sab-sch 250 ; Thirteenth St ch, Sab-sch Miss'y Ass'n 250 ; Murray Hill ch 128 39 ; West ch, from Edward Anthony, Esq 25	4055 56
<i>Ply of North River</i> —Cornwall 1st ch, an individual 10 ; New Hamburg ch 17 ; Malden ch 25 20 ; Newburg Union ch 125 ; Westminster ch, Salt Point 28 87 ; Rondout ch 250 ; Amenia ch 68	524 07
<i>Ply of Niagara</i> —Wilson ch Sab-sch 26 ; Somerset ch 30 10	56 10
<i>Ply of New Albany</i> —Madison 1st ch 142 80 ; New Washington ch 12 75 ; Mount Vernon ch 5 55 ; Walnut St ch Bloomington 100	261 10
<i>Ply of Neosho</i> —Geneva ch 10 ; Rev S T McClure, "a mite," 50 cts	10 50
<i>Ply of Nassau</i> —Hempstead ch	17 42
<i>Ply of Newark</i> —Newark 2d ch, Young People's Miss'y Soc'y, 100 ; Newark 1st ch, H M Miss'y Ass'n 80	180 00
<i>Ply of Newton</i> —Amwell 1st ch 24 ; Phillipburg ch 40 ; Amwell United 1st ch 25 51 ; Danville ch 13 ; Deckertown ch 47 50	150 01
<i>Ply of Northumberland</i> —Mifflinsburg ch 16 50 ; Mahoning ch 94 61, of which Sab-sch 36 28 ; Washingtonville ch 12	123 11
<i>Ply of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 4th ch 106 ; Trenton 2d ch 20 ; Trenton 1st ch 500 ; Milford ch 18 75 ; Holland ch 10 ; Dutch Neck ch 60 ; Lawrence ch 200 20	914 95
<i>Ply of New Castle</i> —Green Hill ch 50, of which Sab-sch 18 30 ; New Castle ch 183 10	233 10
<i>Ply of New Orleans</i> —Second Ger ch, N O	16 50
<i>Ply of Osage</i> —Greenwood ch 18 ; Smithtown ch	

5 75; Otterville ch 4 25; Warrensburg ch 18 80; Kansas City 3d ch 5 15	51 65
<i>Pby of Otsego</i> —Exeter ch 7 50; Fly Creek ch 10; Coventry 2d ch 78 60	96 10
<i>Pby of Ottawa</i> —Ottawa 1st ch 13 90; Elgin ch 24, of which Sab-sch 18; Somonauk ch 1; Waltham ch 40 50; Wyoming ch 4; Farm Ridge ch 43 80	127 20
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Eureka ch 8 21; Delaware ch 39 40; French Grove ch 10; Yates City ch 11; Ipava ch 20	88 61
<i>Pby of Portsmouth</i> —Manchester ch 5 56; Gallipolis 1st ch Sab-sch 20; Portsmouth ch, from Miss Julia C Griswold 100; Eckmansville ch 20	145 56
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Second ch 151; Tenth ch, in part 70	851 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Princeton ch, West Phila 647 35; West Arch St ch 67 85; Kensington ch 200; Cohocksink ch 394 82; Green Hill ch 96 50	1406 52
<i>Pby of Philadelphia North</i> —Norristown 1st ch 50; Port Kennedy ch 47 40; Solebury ch 14; Conshohocken ch 13; Germantown 1st ch 420; Huntingdon Valley ch 12 50	556 90
<i>Pby of Pittsburgh</i> —Bellefield ch 68 95; Pittsburgh 3d ch in part 70; Pittsburgh 1st ch, in part 425; Shady Side ch, Pittsburgh 219 85; Swissvale ch 51	834 80
<i>Pby of Platte</i> —Maryville ch	19 00
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Newark ch 12; Edina ch 9; Bellevue ch 4; St Francisville ch 3 50	28 50
<i>Pby of Rochester</i> —Genesee 1st ch 46 71; Sparta 2d ch 20; Groveland ch 17	83 71
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Andover ch 5; Winnebago ch 7; Arlington ch 5; Eddington ch 14 50; Pleasant Ridge ch 5 50	37 00
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Bethel ch 19 28; Salineville ch 5 72; Ridge ch 26	51 00
<i>Pby of Saginaw</i> —Taymouth ch	10 60
<i>Pby of San Jose</i> —Alameda ch 21; Santa Clara ch 17	38 00
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Taylor's Falls ch 16 25; Belle Plain ch 20; Central ch, St Paul 40 83	77 08
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Washington ch 40; Grandview ch, add'l 9 30; Pipe Creek ch, from Mrs Lockwood 2; Morristown ch 15 25; Rock Hill ch 25; Mt Pleasant ch 35 42	126 97
<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Webster's Grove ch 67 85; St James ch 4 10; North ch 40	111 95
<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Hermon ch 50; Slippery Rock ch Sab-sch 1	51 00
<i>Pby of Syracuse</i> —Park Central ch, Syracuse 220; Constantia ch 10 71	230 71
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Mt Pleasant ch 3 50; Liberty ch 3; Quincy 1st ch, from F S Giddings 225; Good Hope ch 8 35; Shiloh ch 3 65; Monmouth ch 62 15; Ebenezer ch 19	324 65
<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —Winchester ch 35; Irish Grove ch 6; North Sangamon ch 65 41, of which Sab-sch 28 11; Virginia ch 12	118 41
<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Equality ch 5 65; Harrisburg ch 4 35	10 00
<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Farmington ch	14 75
<i>Synod of Ohio</i> —A Balance	8 47
<i>Synod of Indiana, South</i> —Synodical Coll'n	56 35
<i>Pby of St Lawrence</i> —Heuvelton ch 11; Watertown 1st ch 180; Waddington ch 26 06; Oswegatchie 2d ch 21	238 06
<i>Pby of Salem</i> —Seymour ch	14 07
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Woodside ch, Troy 13; Troy 9th ch 16; Malta ch 5	34 00
<i>Pby of Topeka</i> —Grantville ch 10 70; Wamego ch 13; Topeka 1st ch 65	88 70
<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Walnut St ch, Evansville 242 80; Princeton ch 22; Terre Haute 1st ch 12	276 80
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Clarksburg ch 11, of which Sab-sch 2; Morgantown ch 14 69	25 69
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Jeromeville ch 16; West Salem ch 5 80; McKay ch 16; Ashland ch 54 41, of which 4 41, the dying bequest of Miss Hattie Anderson; Millersburg ch 11 56; Shreve ch 10; Holmesville ch 15; Martinsburg ch 16 05; Mt Pleasant ch 4	148 82
<i>Pby of Washington City</i> —Sixth ch, Washington Missy Soc'y 25; Bridge St ch, Georgetown Juv Missy Soc'y 75; Alexandria 1st ch 25; New York Ave ch, from R A Stribling U S N 100	225 00
<i>Pby of Waterloo</i> —West Irving ch 3 25; Waverly ch 5; Vinton 2d ch 15	23 25
<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Stockbridge ch 3; Weyanwega ch 5 25; De Pere ch 10 90; Omro ch 26 25; Cambria ch 8	53 40
<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Port Chester ch 30; West Farms ch 10 05; Hartford 1st ch 141, of which 1 41 from Willie A and Sam'l R Hyde; Bedford ch 64; Yonkers 1st ch, mon coll 45 62; Thompsonville 1st ch 65	355 67
<i>Pby of Westminster</i> —Slateville ch 31; Pequea ch 74 35; Bellevue ch 26 06	131 41
<i>Pby of Winona</i> —Owatonna 1st ch 23; Red Wing 1st ch 30 86; Winona 1st ch 8 42	62 28
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Pittsgrove ch 100; Tom's River ch 22; Cedarville 1st ch, Fem Missy Soc'y 14 50; Fislerville ch 46 95; West ch, Bridgeton 40 27; Vineland 1st ch 5 10; Camden 2d ch 44 50; Bridgeton 2d ch 32 45	305 77
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Forks of Wheeling ch 300; Fairview ch 6 60; Claysville ch 75; Wheeling 4th ch 18 50	400 10
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Knightstown ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Oakfield ch 3; Waterford ch 2 80; Decatur ch 5; Coshocton ch 51; Norwich and Pleasant Hill chs 22	83 80
Total received from churches,	\$28,342 29
LEGACIES.—Legacy of Aaron Gregg, dec'd, late of Delphi, Ind 1000, less exp's 2 = 998; Estate of Rev Miles P Squier, D.D., dec'd, Geneva, N Y 280 add'l	1278 00
MISCELLANEOUS.—Six months interest and premium on Permanent Fund. "Hungerford Estate" 233 37; Mrs Eleanor McMillan, College Hill, Ohio 50; Religious Con Soc'y of Princeton Theo Sem'y 104 50; Rev L Marshall, Lebanon, Ill. (Memorial) 10; Rev Ansel R Clark, Huntington, Ohio 5; Isaac R Smith, Phila 100; A Presbyterian Lady, N Y 2; Geo Burlingame, Marietta, Ohio 5; Mrs Rev J J Buck, Barrytown, N Y 10; "Itinerant," N J 50; F E M. Chilloothe, Ohio 10; Mrs Mary S Rice, Clinton, Mo 5; An Aged Widow of the Presbyterian ch 310 61; S W Brewster, Hannibal, N Y 25; A Chapman, Alquina, Ind 5; Rev J M Huntington, Jr., 2 50; "Hope," Carlisle, Pa 5; Simon Lucas, Courtland, N Y, a thank-offering 25; A Friend, N Y 50; J H T 50; M K Platt, Plattsburg, N Y 25; "A Widow indeed," Ohio 60; M H Foley, Patterson, Pa 10; Mrs Ann E F Smith, Saratoga, N Y 50; Mrs Jeremiah Miller, Phila, Pa 10; Mrs Elizabeth Taylor, Cleveland, Ohio 200; Mary 2	1474 98
Total in November,	\$31,095 27
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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTIEOUS, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

The land whither ye go to possess it is a land which the Lord thy God careth for: the eyes of the Lord thy God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year.

Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.—DEUT. xi.

HISTORY OF THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The history of the Week of Prayer is deeply, and in some respects painfully, interesting. In 1857 one of the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church met at Cleveland, Ohio, presided over by Dr. Samuel W. Fisher, whose influence has been so strongly felt in the acts which have brought the two branches of the Church into one; the other at Lexington, Kentucky, with the sainted Cortlandt Van Rensselaer as its Moderator. The narrative of that year, signed by him, says it "was a year of more than usual and general progress, and that of such a nature as to involve enlarged preparations for the work of the future." Its conclusion says that, like her great Head and Exemplar, the Church "must wear herself out in teaching men the *given word of God*, in healing the diseases and soothing the sorrows of humanity, and in giving her own blood as a living sacrifice for the redemption of the world."

The summer was one in which the tide of the river of life seemed to rise in many portions of our land. The spirit of prayer abounded. In September the Fulton Street daily prayer-meeting in New York was commenced, which has not ceased till this time. In December a great convention of ministers for prayer was held in Pittsburgh. A mighty revival of religion began, which swept over the whole Christian world; one of the most powerful of this age. In Great Britain, particularly in Ireland, it formed an era in the history of some portions of the Church. It raised up numerous men, such as Weaver, North, Gordon, Lewis, and others whose labors have been followed by continued ingatherings of immortal souls. And one of its most interesting features was the conversion of many officers of the army and navy, whose influence has been loyal, bold and far-reaching for the kingdom of Jesus Christ, amidst all ranks of society at home, and wherever the British flag has carried them in all the colonies of that empire. The effects of the general revival of religion in Great Britain have been very great. A recent letter from there says: "There is much irreligion in the land, and it manifests itself in crime, as well as in widespread intemperance and impurity. Nevertheless, I have the firm conviction that never, in the United Kingdom, were there at any former period such a number of real disciples of Christ—of true-hearted and loyal subjects of the Great King."

The missionaries of American and European churches in heathen lands were deeply moved by the tidings of the wonders which God was working at home. In India the land was red and smoking with the fresh blood of the terrible Sepoy Rebellion. Breaking out at Berhampoor in February, 1857, it was nearly two years and a half before a general thanksgiving could be offered for peace. The summer of 1858 witnessed the awful massacre of our missionaries at Cawnpore. It was at our Synod of Lodianna in that year that the Rev. Dr. John H. Morrison,

in the agony of spirit which then moved the brethren, and hearing of the wonders which was performing in Christian lands, presented a paper, that was adopted by the Synod, which invited the whole Christian world to join in a week of special prayer, "the second week in January, 1860," "that God would now pour out His spirit upon all flesh, so that all the ends of the earth might see His salvation." It resolved "that all God's people, of every name and nation, of every continent and island, be cordially and earnestly invited to unite with us in a similar observance of that time." The eyes of the civilized world were fixed upon India at that time, in most anxious suspense as to the issue of the death struggle between heathenism and Christianity. The suggestion was caught up in every Christian nation. The wonderful results in India, the answers of a prayer-hearing God, it is not in place here to record. Much less can we attempt to trace the blessings which have been bestowed in answer to these requests in a hundred other great missionary fields of the globe.

Again the voice which came from bleeding and horror-stricken India, which was echoed from China, at that same time convulsed with the second cruel Opium War, which was swelled by supplications from numerous other scenes of conflict and suffering, amidst the great tribulations of which Christian heralds were preaching the gospel of the kingdom for a witness unto all nations, comes to us asking that we join in another week of special prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all flesh. With what amazing acceleration of speed do we witness the advance of "the kingdom!" What has the last year wrought! What a week of believing, confident, urgent prayer this should be! What a week of new consecration of body and spirit, of property and influence, of sons and daughters, of all we are and possess and control, to the service of this majestic, triumphant, gracious King!

The Board of Education is vitally interested in every prayer that beseeches the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into his harvest, all whose fields are so white and ready for the sickle. But it would specially invite attention to the topics of supplication appointed for WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5TH: "*For the conversion of children; for Sunday schools, and all seminaries of learning; and for the raising up of more laborers in Christ's service.*" And may the Divine Redeemer be present with the meetings of that day, to hear the prayers offered in His name, and with great power to answer them.

CHANGE IN THE DAY OF PRAYER FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.

Let us hope this year for a more general and fervent union of Christians than has ever before been seen in prayer for the schools and colleges of this Christian land, and for similar institutions throughout the world. It is nearly fifty years since the last Thursday of February has been observed as an occasion when Christians of various names and localities might join in common supplication for the bestowment of the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon these fountains of learning. God has bowed his ear to hear, and many revivals of religion have been granted to institutions where before the heavens had been as brass and the earth iron. With the hope to make the day more universally acceptable and efficacious as to the ends in view, the last General Assembly determined to recommend that this year the day of its observance be changed from the last Thursday of February to *the last Thursday of January*, making it just one month earlier. There are some good reasons for the change.

It is important to bring this season of prayer into closer connection with the

Week of Prayer for the conversion of the world at the opening of the year, and, when the hearts of Christians have been warmed, to engage them in special entreaties for the conversion of the youth, in whose consecration of life and talents and property we possess the chief earthly hope of the attainment of the great consummation.

It better promotes the designs of the day to appoint it earlier in the sessions of the schools and colleges, when the minds of students are more fresh, and there is better opportunity to mature the interest which may be implanted, previous to the close of the term.

The observance of the day in January prevents the frequent interference of the national holiday on the 22d of February, or of preparations for it, with the spirit or acts of the occasion.

With the first month of the new year, and with the renewal of our vows to God, accompanied in many churches about that period by the seal of its first sacrament, let us bring particularly the sons and daughters whom God has given us before Him for a special blessing upon them; and pray that He would, in this day of His power, make them instruments of good to mankind, and accept many of these sons as official ambassadors of his grace to a world at enmity with him.

This day of extraordinary prayer for the educational institutions of the Church ought to include the Board of Education, its six hundred candidates for the ministry, its officers, members, and co-workers in the Church; that God would make this great arm of the Church a means of furnishing his cause with an army of holy, devoted, laborious preachers of salvation, who shall be willing to go to the ends of the earth and rest not until righteousness and praise spring forth before all the nations.

SHALL WE KEEP OUR FLAGS FLYING?

It will be remembered that at the close of October, in view of the Board still wanting eleven thousand dollars to make the payments due to students, a circular was addressed to churches which had made no collections during the previous year, and to benevolent friends of the cause. At the same time earnest prayer was made to God that He would inspire in the hearts of his people a hearty and efficient interest in it. It is with gratitude that we state that by the close of November every dollar needed had been paid or provided for, so that it was not necessary to put the Church to shame by borrowing money from a bank in order to fulfil her covenant with her sons. Friends came cordially to our help. One gentleman sent us a check for a thousand dollars.

With the beginning of January another payment, for which more than twenty thousand dollars is needed, is due. *How is it to be met?* The treasury is clean empty. The Board cannot make a general appeal to the Church. It cannot, and it emphatically would not, disturb the order of the collection of those congregations which systematically present in their turn the round of the Church's claims for her various great organs of usefulness. But it may, without untimely interference with others, beg the sympathy and help of two classes of contributors—*first*, the congregations which have given nothing for one, two, or more years; many of which have pursued no regular system of contributing, and it may be are weak, but whose small sums would swell in the aggregate to a very large one; *second*, the individual church members, who with a little more love to Christ, a little more loyalty to his kingdom in its conflicts with a world of sin, a little more regard for the young men who are struggling to qualify themselves for the

arduous and self-denying work of preachers of the gospel, and a little more willingness to deny themselves for the sake of doing good in Christ's name, might easily send us larger or smaller sums of money. These contributions, like those of a thousand unsealed springs among the hills, after a rain, would join to lift our vessel off the gravel on which she is grinding and straining herself, and enable us to keep our flags flying, and with joyful shouts and cheers keep on the course, the punctuality and faithfulness of which is so important to many who are waiting upon us for supplies.

TO EDUCATION COMMITTEES.

The Secretary of the Board is now sending to the Education Committee of each Presbytery a list of the names of the candidates for the ministry whose recommendations have been renewed, and to whom therefore the Board is authorized to grant aid; and with it a list of any whose names appear upon the last year's rolls of the former Permanent Committee or Board, but whose renewals have not been received at this office. Some of these young men are anxiously waiting the action of the Presbyteries, or their Education Committees, which have the authority of the General Assembly to act in the interim of their meetings, in order to receive appropriations. The care of the Presbyteries should be exercised over others, who may be spending the year in teaching, or may be in ill health, or may need counsel, or admonition, or encouragement. These "sons of the prophets" deserve the hearty and constant interest of the brethren to whose fidelity the Presbytery and, more remotely, the General Assembly has committed them. The Board desires to receive, as soon as convenient, from the Education Committees, information with regard to every individual.

RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Carrollton ch 2; 1st ch, Alton, per	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Ridge ch 10; Bethesda ch	
"Little Banks" Sab-sch 11 21	10; Anapolls ch 12	32 00
<i>Pby of Albany</i> —First ch, Albany 84; 4th ch,	<i>Pby of Steuben</i> —Naples ch 5; Painted Post ch 5	10 00
Albany 200		
<i>Poy of Allegheny</i> —Sunbury ch 8; Pleasant Valley	<i>Pby of Springfield</i> —First ch, Springfield	80 47
ch 8 55	<i>Pby of Shenango</i> —Slippery Rock Sab-sch	1 26
	<i>Pby of Topeka</i> —Holton ch	1 45
<i>Pby of Brooklyn</i> —La Fayette Ave ch, Brooklyn	<i>Pby of Utica</i> —Rome ch	40 93
443 14; Ross St ch 22 41	<i>Pbu of Washington City</i> —New York Ave ch,	
	Washington, D C, from R A Stribling, U S N	100 00
<i>Pby of Binghamton</i> —Owego ch		
77 53	<i>Pby of West Chester</i> —Port Chester ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Chester</i> —Waynesburg ch, add'l	<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Jefferson ch	6 70
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<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Petroleum Centre ch		
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<i>Pby of Cosuga</i> —Aurora ch		
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<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —North ch, Chicago		
5 00		
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —First ch, Harrisburg, (Thanks-		
giving Day coll)		254 71
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Second ch, Dubuque		15 02
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<i>Pby of Danton</i> —Piqua 1st ch		15 10
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<i>Pby of Freeport</i> —Ridout ch		5 00
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<i>Pby of Holston</i> —Knoxville ch		48 80
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Amity ch 16; Florida ch 1		17 00
83 48		
<i>Pby of Jersey City</i> —First ch, Bergen		83 48
<i>Pby of Kittanning</i> —Currie's Run ch 20 25; Centre		24 75
ch 4 50		
<i>Pby of Lackawanna</i> —Monroeton ch 2; Scranton		202 00
ch 200		
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Matawan ch		17 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Lewisburg ch		43 00
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Houston and Thompson St		1804 00
ch 4; Madison Square ch 1800		
<i>Pby of Niagara</i> —First ch, Medina		31 00
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Malden ch		10 07
<i>Pby of Newark</i> —First ch, Morristown 68 54; Mor-		355 61
ristown, South St ch 287 07		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —First ch, Greenwich 17 25; Bel-		22 25
videre ch 5		12 00
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Odessa ch		4 25
<i>Pby of Ontario</i> —Malden ch		241 45
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Calvary ch 180 45; Third ch,		32 15
Philadelphia 61		
<i>Pby of P ittsburgh</i> —Fourth ch, Pittsburg		32 15
<i>Pby of St Clairsville</i> —Little York ch 4 81; Wheel-		10 30;
ing Valley ch 6 50; New Athens ch 10 30;		29 51
Short Creek ch 7 90		
<i>Pby of Schuylker</i> —Macomb ch 15; 1st ch, Quincy		79 00
64		

REFUNDED.

W D K 10; W R S 40 \$50 00

LEGACIES.

Estate of Wm McClintock, Pittsburg, Pa 500,
less taxes \$445 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rev H W McKee, Springfield, Ill 2; Miss Moore,
Plainfield, N J 100; Lizzie and Willie, Phila 1;
Sidney E Morris & Co. N Y 42; "A Friend"
1000; Rev Ansel R Clark, Huntington, Ohio
10; "O" 40; Alex Guy, M D, Oxford, Ohio 60;
Elizabeth E Taylor, Cleveland, Ohio 200; Mrs
E F Smith, Saratoga, N Y 40; H McLane 5;
From a Friend, N Y 25; Patterson Estate 88
1,613 00

Total amount acknowledged, \$6,703 28

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

DEATH OF MRS. NASSAU.—It is with great regret that we have to record the death of Mrs. Nassau, wife of the Rev. R. H. Nassau, M. D., near Benita, Corisco Mission, on the 10th of September, of African fever. As Miss Mary C. Latta she went to Africa as a teacher in 1860, arriving at Corisco in November. She was married to Mr. Nassau in 1862. Her missionary course has been one of singular devotedness and usefulness. A more lovely and happy Christian woman we have seldom known. We mourn over our loss, but for her to depart and to be with Christ was surely “far better.” Great sympathy will be felt for her bereaved husband, and sister-in-law, and for her two children. Mr. Nassau had an attack of the same fever, but was free from it at the latest date. We learn these particulars from letters to the Rev. C. W. Nassau, D.D., letters to the Mission House not having yet arrived. We hope to give a more extended notice of this excellent lady hereafter.

BETTER NEWS FROM TUNGCHOW.—The missionaries were expecting to return to this station. The local magistrates had requested them to do so, and the American minister, Mr. Low, counselled the *men* to comply with this request, but wished them to wait until an American ship of war could take them there from Chefoo. The prospect of resuming their work at Tungchow gave them great pleasure, though still not confident that the anti-foreigner feeling would not yet give them trouble. In China generally, we see by a telegram in the newspapers, matters continued quiet to the 19th of November.

“ADDED TO THE CHURCH.”—At Lahor, Mr. Forman speaks of three persons received on examination, one of whom is regarded as a man of talents, a Bengali, who, for some time, belonged to the Deistic party in Calcutta; at Lodiana, Mr. Wherry reports the admission of fifteen persons to the communion of the church during the year; at Etawah, Mr. Ullmann mentions his having “baptized a household—husband, wife, and three children,” early in September; at Mynpurie, Mr. Alexander reports the admission by letter of seven communicants; at Sao Paulo, Mr. Chamberlain received by baptism one, the mother of one of the church members; at Samsonville, Liberia, three, including an aged mother and her daughter, were received by Mr. Erskine and the elders of the Clay-Ashland Church Session, who visited Samsonville for the purpose of holding a communion service there.

HAPPY DEATH OF A SENECA INDIAN.—Mr. Ford, of the Seneca Mission, writes, “We have recently lost by death an aged man, who seemed ripe for the heavenly glory. Two days before his departure, a meeting of several Christian brethren and others was held at his house, and it was truly cheering to notice the exhibition of his faith in Christ, and in unseen and spiritual realities. At his request, that beautiful hymn was sung, commencing with, ‘Mercy, O thou Son of David.’ Being raised up in his bed, he offered an humble and earnest prayer, and exhorted the members of the church to prayer and fidelity, and also urged the momentous importance of true religion upon the unconverted, and mentioned, particularly, his desire for the conversion of his adult son, who was present. Surely the gospel has done some good among this poor people, as this instance of a dying believer shows.”

GABOON.—Mr. Walker expresses his thankfulness that he was able to prolong his residence there, if but for some months, to strengthen the things that remain; and he felt rewarded by the renewed expression of religious interest by three persons who had fallen away from their profession.

BEIRUT.—Dr. Thompson writes, "Our work in all its departments is extending quite beyond our ability to properly conduct it. Send us help, and speedily. This is the burden of our cry at present."

CHIENG-MAI.—Mr. McGilvary writes, "One lady, a princess by birth, though not ashamed to make an honest living, who has been in our family for four months, has applied for baptism, and also our cook, who is a Chinese; and we have some hopes that the widow of one of the martyrs is a Christian." The brethren considered it expedient to keep these persons longer on trial. In general their work among the Laos is encouraging, but they fear that one, and perhaps two, of their church members were not able to stand the late persecution. Mr. McGilvary adds, "The others give us great comfort. I never saw a better specimen of the grace of God than Nan Intoc, our first convert, affords."

RECEIPTS MAY 1ST TO DECEMBER 1ST. From Churches \$49,500; from Legacies \$6,347; from miscellaneous donors, \$6,165: in all \$61,993. Receipts in the same months last year \$79,885, of which from churches \$49,445.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO DECEMBER 14th.—Lower Cattaraugus, December 1st; Seminole, November 23d; Fort Defiance, Arizona, November 2d; Fort Wingate, New Mexico, November 21st; San Francisco, December 6th; Yokohama, October 19th; Yedo, October 21st; Tungchow, October 3d; Chefoo, October 6th; Shanghai, October 10th; Ningpo, October 8th; Hangchow, October 5th; Canton, October 10th; Petchaburi, August 6th; Chieng-mai, August 22d; Mynpurie, October 26th; Lodiana, October 14th; Lahor, October 25th; Beirut, November 10th; Abeih, November 9th; Monrovia, November 4th; Benita, September 27th; Gaboon, September 18th; Rio de Janeiro, October 24th; Sao Paulo, November 4th; Brotas, October 15th; Bogota, October 14th. [We may here insert the remark which was formerly made concerning this paragraph in our monthly summary: "This list of dates will be of interest to the relations of missionaries, and to other persons, as showing when our missionary friends were heard from. As a general remark, the health and usual engagements of our missionary brethren at these dates may be regarded as not marked by any material change, unless specified in the notices under 'Recent Intelligence.'"]

MEMORIAL GIFTS TO THE FOREIGN MISSIONARY WORK.

We have been asked, what are the objects in the Foreign Missionary work to which Memorial Gifts could be applied? In general, we answer—to the same objects abroad as at home. The important condition, in both cases we presume, is the same, viz; that these gifts should not take the place of the usual contributions to the regular work of the Church. In other words, to be memorial they must be additional. This borne in mind, we see no doubt as to the propriety of the above reply.

In particular, on this view, memorial gifts may be applied:

1. To complete the payment of debt incurred previous to the beginning of the memorial year; of course, not to the payment of debt incurred since the year commenced. This is but recognizing the same rule abroad, as at home, in the case of church, college, and other former indebtedness. We are glad to say that but a small part of the debt of last year remains unpaid, and a noble gift of one

thousand dollars was received a short time ago towards removing it. About five thousand dollars now remain, out of the forty-four thousand six hundred and one dollars on the first of May.

2. To build and establish educational and training schools for native teachers and ministers, as at Gaboon, Canton, Hangechow, Tungechow, &c.

3. To provide mission buildings—dwelling houses and chapels, corresponding to parsonages and churches at home; and such buildings are needed in Syria; in India, at Kolapore particularly; in Siam, at Bangkok, and at Chieng-mai among the Laos; in China, at Canton, Hangechow, Tungechow, and other places; in Japan, at Yedo; in South America, at several places; probably at some points in the expected enlargement of our Indian work; and particularly in San Francisco, where a considerable outlay should be made for new and larger buildings for our interesting and important mission to the Chinese.

Keeping it distinctly in view, that gifts for these objects should not take the place of the regular collections and gifts for the general work of the Board, there is here a statement perhaps in sufficient detail; but further information will be cheerfully furnished by the executive officers of the Board.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

ORGANIZATION.

The Board consists of fifteen members, elected in three classes by the General Assembly, one class hereafter to be elected every year, and of the executive officers, as *ex-officio* members, appointed by the other members of the Board. As now constituted, the Board is the successor of the Board of Foreign Missions of the late Old School part of the Church, and of the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions of the late New School part of the Church. The duties of the Executive Committee of the late Old School Board are entrusted to the Board itself as now constituted. Executive officers of the Board, Rev. Messrs. John C. Lowrie, David Irving, and ——— Corresponding Secretaries; William Rankin, Esq., Treasurer. Address of the Secretaries and Treasurer—Mission House, 23 Centre Street, New York City.

PUBLICATIONS.

The Annual Report, to the General Assembly, published in May.

The Presbyterian Monthly Record, the organ of all the Boards, contains some pages devoted to Foreign Missions. Published monthly by the Board of Publication, Philadelphia, Penna., at fifty cents a year; but it is sent free to ministers of our churches. Circulation, 15,000 copies.

The Foreign Missionary, a magazine, published monthly by the Board of Foreign Missions, at the Mission House, New York. Price fifty cents a year, but it is sent free to ministers of our churches, and when desired to donors of ten dollars a year and upward. Circulation, 4,500 copies.

The Foreign Missionary, a small embellished newspaper for children, published monthly at the Mission House, New York; price, ten copies for one dollar a year; but it is sent free, one copy to the children of each family in every Sabbath-school that makes regular collections for the Board. Circulation, 64,000 copies.

COLLECTION OF FUNDS.

No agents or district secretaries are employed by the Board, but dependence is properly placed on the church sessions to have this cause presented in the best way to the congregation under their care. This general policy has been followed

for over fifteen years, with favorable results. The ratio of increase in the receipts of the Board has been doubled in this period, as compared with the returns of an equal preceding period, when collecting agents were employed; and also more than doubled as compared with the ratio of increase in the receipts of the leading Missionary Board of the country in this latter term of years. The expense of collection in the one case amounted to a large sum; in the other, it has been but nominal.

In connection with this, it may be stated that the expenses of the Board for executive or administrative work are extremely moderate; about four per cent. last year, or \$12,776 for salaries of executive officers, clerks, travelling expenses, postage, fuel, &c., out of \$311,105, the whole amount of payments.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

In the year ending May 1st, 1870, Expenses,	-	-	-	-	\$311,105 01
Receipts,	-	-	-	-	271,940 62
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					\$39,164 39
Add debt of May 1st, 1869,	-	-	-	-	5,437 60
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Indebtedness of the Board May 1st, 1870,	-	-	-	-	\$44,601 99

It ought to be known that the expenses, \$311,105, included provision for the support of the missions in Asia to the 1st of October, 1870. See Annual Report, page 60. Through the liberality of a few Christian friends this debt has been nearly paid, and is no longer a burden; but the regular receipts of the Board for the seven months of the mission year ending December 1st, have fallen seriously short of the expenses, while increased pecuniary obligations have been incurred in the enlarged work of the Board.

MISSIONS AMONG THE INDIANS.

There are missions among the Chippewas, in Michigan, begun in 1838; Omahas, in Nebraska; 1846; Seminoles and Creeks, in the Indian Territory; both in 1849; Navajoes, in Arizona Territory; 1868; ordained missionaries, 6; laymen, 2; female missionaries, 10; communicants, 235; scholars 102, all in boarding schools. Recently transferred by the American Board—Seneca mission, in Western New York, begun in 1822; and Ojibwa or Chippewa, in Wisconsin, begun in 1830; ordained missionaries, 3; female missionaries, 3; native preachers, 1; communicants, —; scholars, —.

MISSIONS IN SOUTH AMERICA.

At Bogota, United States of Colombia; 1856; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 3; native assistants, 1; communicants, 16. At Rio de Janeiro, and five other stations, Brazil; 1859; ordained missionaries, 6; female missionaries, 6; native assistants, 3; communicants, 262; scholars, 28.

MISSIONS IN AFRICA.

In Liberia; 1833; ordained missionaries, 7; laymen, 2; communicants, 240; scholars, 100. All the ministers in this country are men of color. In the Corisco Mission, on the western coast, just north of the equator; 1850; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 2; native minister, 1; native assistants, 14; communicants, 73; scholars 97, of whom 42 in boarding schools. Transferred recently by the American Board—Gaboon Mission, on the same coast, just south of the Corisco field, begun in 1842; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 3; native assistants, 3; communicants, —; scholars, 50, of whom 40 in boarding schools.

MISSIONS IN WESTERN ASIA.

Recently transferred by the American Board—Syria Mission, begun in 1819; ordained missionaries, 9; female missionaries, 9; native pastor, 1; licensed

preachers, 11; teachers, 34; other helpers, 4; communicants, 245; scholars, in common schools, 1184; in boarding schools for girls, 95; in the theological seminary, 7; in the classes of the college, 76—the college not being connected with the Board, though on a missionary basis.

MISSIONS IN INDIA.

In Upper India, at Lodia and sixteen other stations; 1834; ordained missionaries, 31; female missionaries, 32; native ministers, 8; native assistants, 144; communicants, 535; scholars, 6684, of whom in orphan and boarding schools, 169. In Kolapore, West India, mission lately received by the Board, begun in 1853; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 1; native assistant, 1; communicants, 22; scholars, 175.

MISSION IN SIAM.

At Bangkok and Petchaburi; 1840; ordained missionaries, 6; female missionaries, 6; native assistants, 4; communicants, 30; scholars, 42—of whom 20 in boarding school.

MISSION AMONG THE LAOS.

At Chieng-mai, 500 miles north of Bangkok; 1867; ordained missionaries, 2; female missionaries, 2; communicants, 5.

MISSIONS IN CHINA.

At Canton, Shanghai, Ningpo, Hangchow, Chefoo, Tungchow, and Peking, with several out-stations; 1844; ordained missionaries, 22; missionary physicians, 2; female missionaries, 26; native ministers, 6; native assistants, 40; communicants, 630; scholars, 337—of whom 164 in boarding schools.

MISSION IN JAPAN.

At Yokohama and Yedo; 1859; ordained missionaries, 2; missionary physician, 1; female missionaries, 2.

MISSION AMONG THE CHINESE IN CALIFORNIA.

At San Francisco; 1853; ordained missionaries, 2; native assistants, 2; communicants, 16; scholars, 75. The relations of the Chinese in California are mainly with their own country, to which they all expect to return. As they are all from the province of Canton, this mission is regarded as closely connected with the Canton Mission.

MISSION TO THE JEWS.

In New York; 1846; ordained missionary, 1. This mission was commenced with reference to the Jews in some part of Europe or Western Asia, but its plan was changed. For some years it was prosecuted with vigor, but without much visible result. It has now little more than a nominal existence, as the missionary is also the pastor of a German church, which takes a large part of his time. It is an important question—What more shall be done by the Board for the conversion of the Jews?

MISSIONS IN BELGIUM, FRANCE, AND ITALY.

Since 1844, remittances of funds have been sent each year to aid our Protestant brethren in these countries, in their missionary work among their Roman Catholic countrymen. It has not been considered expedient to send missionaries from this country to engage in this European work, as the brethren on the ground are well able to superintend it, and to secure the best kind of laborers; but, inasmuch as the Evangelical Christians in these countries are mostly in very limited circumstances, they greatly need the friendly co-operation of their brethren in more favored lands. Hence, the sum of over \$100,000 thus remitted by the Board, and the further sum of \$20,000 invested in this country, for the support of Professors in the Waldensian Theological Seminary now at Florence, Italy, have not only called forth the warmest acknowledgments of our European brethren, but have been of very great service in the spread of true religion. This method of action is at once inexpensive and most efficient.

The Board still receives urgent requests for enlarged support of the work of evangelization in these countries, and in two of them—France and Italy—how wonderful have been the events of the last few months! A door of entrance, more widely open than ever, is now set before our churches for spreading the gospel amongst these and other Roman Catholic peoples in Europe, in Mexico, and in South America.

FOREIGN MISSIONS IN AND OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

In the preceding article we have furnished our readers with some information concerning the Board of Foreign Missions and its work. This information will serve as the occasion, and in some respects, as a reason of the following remarks.

1. Remarkable progress has been made in this great work. This work, as supported by the late Old School part of the Church, was commenced at Pittsburgh, Pa., under the Western Foreign Missionary Society, formed by the Synod of Pittsburgh in 1831. One missionary was sent to Western Africa in the autumn of 1832, two were sent to India in the summer of 1833, two to the Western Indians and several assistants in the same year; and thus the work was fairly begun. But it was a very humble beginning, and many predictions were made of its failure. Nevertheless the Divine blessing rested upon it. The principles on which it was founded gained wider approval from year to year, until in 1837, the Western Foreign Missionary Society was merged in the Board of the General Assembly, and transferred to the Board its missionary laborers, consisting of twelve ministers, ten laymen—four of whom were candidates for the ministry and were afterwards ordained, twenty female missionaries, and an income of \$40,266. This was large progress for those days. The progress made since 1837 is shown, in some measure, by the statistics of the preceding article.

We regret that we cannot state in like manner the progress of the work in the late New School part of the Church. Though the Permanent Committee of Foreign Missions was formed by the General Assembly in 1854, yet the work continued to be closely identified with that of the American Board. It formed, indeed, an efficient part of the missions of that Board, and shared equally in its progress.

In view of the whole case as it stands, we may well feel grateful for the advance made by the Church, and for the position of high promise now occupied. Our gratitude is unmingled with regret for the separation of the Old School churches from the American Board in former years, seeing that no injury was thereby wrought to that honored Board, while the work of missions under the Presbyterian Board was greatly larger than it would have been if the churches supporting it had remained in their former relations to that Board. This, we may believe is a happy example of the good results to be expected from the recent change of relations by the late New School Church. And as in all respects our Board has had a history for which we may well feel grateful to God, no other having more evidently enjoyed his blessing in past years. So we trust it is now entering on still greater work for our blessed Lord, to be marked by signal success. For this, we hope and pray.

2. It may be well to recall to recollection the ground on which the Presbyterian movement was made in 1831. It was not that of dissatisfaction with the American Board, neither was it that of controversy as connected with the doctrinal discussions of those times in the Church itself; but two main reasons were given:—1st. That the prospective enlarged work of the American Church in Foreign Missions required more than one Missionary Society—an argument amply sustained by the results of subsequent efforts, and now practically exemplified by almost every denomination of Evangelical Christians in this country. 2nd. That the work of Foreign Missions, while it might certainly be well conducted by what were called Voluntary Societies, was yet properly Church-work. An eloquent statement of this second argument may be found in the first number of the *Foreign Missionary Chronicle*, April, 1833. This statement, indeed, refers chiefly to the home department of the work, the adaptation of our ecclesiastical system to missionary work, the responsibility of our Presbyteries and Church Sessions, &c. The time had not then come for showing, by a happy experience, that our admirable and scriptural church system works equally well on heathen ground. This is now abundantly evident.

It is perhaps needless to recall the fact that the second of these general reasons did not, at the time, gain the assent of a large portion of the Presbyterian body; but in the course of years, time testing these theories, great changes of opinion have taken place, and we are all now standing on this ground as to Foreign Missions, as for several years we have been as to the home work of evangelization. Perhaps the writer of these lines may be permitted to add his testimony to that

of many others as to the pure, non-controversial, earnest missionary spirit, which governed the leading men who were active in forming the Presbyterian movement of 1831-32 in this sacred work. The first Corresponding Secretary, more than any other man, was the founder of the new Society, and no one admitted to intimate acquaintance with him, no one after often spending hours late in the night with him in conference and prayer over this great subject, could have the least doubt concerning the motives which influenced his plans and measures. It was permitted to him to see the great success of this work before he entered into his rest. Nearly the same remark might be made of the second Corresponding Secretary of the late Old School Board, as to his connection with this cause and its success.

3. It is hoped that all our brethren, in the ministry especially, will consider the ground adopted by the Board—that of resting this great cause directly on them and on the churches, without the intervention of any paid collecting agency. The more this subject is studied, the stronger we feel persuaded will be their conviction that this is the true ground. We may recur to this subject and to some topics connected with it hereafter.

4. Passing other subjects of moment, we wish to call earnest attention to the Missions of our Church, as now set before our readers. In general, see what a vast work for Christ they bring before us! Among the Indians, the people of South America, the Africans, the Hindus, the Siamese, the Laos, the Chinese, the Japanese, the Arabs and other Western Asiatic people, the Romanists of Europe, the Jews. More than three-fourths of the uncivilized population of the world can be reached through these missions. It is a great and noble work that God is thus giving us to do!

In particular, each of these missions has an interesting history. On each of them the blessing of God has rested. We cannot but deeply sympathize with our beloved missionary brethren in their work, its trials, difficulties, and also its great signs of promise, and its success already in many cases assured. But we refer to this point here for a special reason. It is this—that more men are needed in nearly all of these missions. Several new men and a number of female teachers will probably soon be called for among the Indian tribes, under the new policy of the Government toward them. Corisco and Gaboon both call earnestly for more men. In Western Asia both the Syria and the Nestorian Missions, the latter expected to be soon transferred to the Board, make earnest appeals for reinforcement. In India the work is great and can well employ more laborers, especially in Kolapore, where one or two more missionaries should be sent without delay. The same remark may be made of Siam and China. In the Chinese field twenty missionaries, in each of the three general fields occupied by the Board, would be a small supply for our Church to support among 75,000,000, 64,000,000, and 57,000,000 of this great population; at the present the whole number of our ordained missionaries from this country, in all three missions, is but little over twenty. From Japan the missionaries call earnestly for more men. "The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few. Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—First ch Senenctady 600, Sab-sch 75 = 675; West Galway ch 33, Sab-sch 7 = 40; 2d ch Albany 242 88; 1st ch Albany 468; Balston Centre ch, Ladies' Heathen Soc'y, for girls' sch at Bangkok 30. *Pby of Troy*—First ch Cohoes 54 33; Johnsonville Sab-sch 10 \$1,520 21

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Aisquith St ch 80 48; 12th ch Sab-sch 21; Barton Sab-sch 10; Harmony ch 42 29. *Pby of Rio de Janeiro*—Rio de Janeiro chapel, from a friend 5. *Pby of Washington City*—Georgetown ch. Juy Miss'y Soc'y 113; New York Ave ch, R A Stribling, U S N 100; Western ch 30 401 77

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—First ch Walnut Hills 113 94; 3d ch Sab-sch Cincinnati, to con J Thompson Morse, L D 60 00. *Pby of Portsmouth*—Mt Leigh ch 11 40; 1st ch Sab-sch Gallipolis 20 205 34

SYNOD OF CLEVELAND.—*Pby of Cleveland*—Me-

morial ch, Cleveland, mo con 6; Willoughby ch 5. *Pby of Mahoning*—Hubbard ch 8 40; Rehoboth ch 7 85. *Pby of St Clarksville*—Rock Hill Sab-sch 9 66; Nottingham ch 103; Short Creek ch Sab-sch 7 20. *Pby of Steubenville*—Augusta Sab-sch 8; Ridge ch 15; Wellsville Sab-sch 12 70; Island Creek ch Sab-sch 25; Bethlehem ch 8 60 216 41

SYNOD OF COLUMBUS.—*Pby of Marion*—Chester-ville Sab-sch 3 31; Mt Gilead Sab-sch, for Tung-chow 2 19; Marion ch 32. *Pby of Wooster*—East Hopewell Sab-sch 27 50; Nashville Sab-sch, for Nyan Pin sch, China 19; Ashland ch, bequest of Miss Hattie Anderson 4 50 83 50

SYNOD OF ERIE.—*Pby of Butler*—Rich Hill Sab-sch, to sup boy at Saharanpur 32; Centerville Sab-sch 25; Jefferson Summit Sab-sch 2 16. *Pby of Erie*—Meadville Sab-sch, to ed child at Dehra 12 25; 1st ch Erie 100; Fairfield Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Kittanning*—Pine Run ch 32; Worthington ch

Sab-sch 8. *Pby of Shenango*—Herron Sab-sch, to sup child at Dehra and Saharanpur 31 30; Slippery Rock Sab-sch 4 33 272 04

SYNOD OF GENEVA.—*Pby of Chemung*—Eddytown ch 18. *Pby of Geneva*—Geneva ch 93; 66 111 66
 SYNOD OF HARRISBURG.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Pine St ch. Harrisburg 241 99; Rocky Spring ch. Mrs Martha M C 10. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Academia Sab-sch 19; Alexandria Sab-sch 49; Shade Gap Sab-sch 2 25. *Pby of Northumberland*—Great Island Sab-sch 9 74, Infant Class 51 cts = 10 25; Rohrsburg ch. Fem Missy Socy 6 320 49

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL.—*Pby of Peoria*—Broad St ch. Knoxville 42 30

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, NORTH.—*Pby of Freeport*—First ch Galena 63 75. *Pby of Ottawa*—Elgin ch 8 71 75

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS, SOUTH.—*Pby of Alton*—Chester ch 13; 1st ch Jerseyville 51 85; Sparta ch. Union Sab-sch. to sup Miss Jerome. India 31 55. *Pby of Mattoon*—First ch Tuscola 45 80

142 20
 SYNOD OF INDIANA, NORTH.—Synodical Collection 56 35. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—Liberty ch 5 81; New Lancaster ch Sab-sch 5 73 67 89

SYNOD OF INDIANA, SOUTH.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—Rockville ch 15 81; Hopewell Sab-sch 7 22 81
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SYNOD OF LONG ISLAND.—*Pby of Brooklyn*—Throop Ave ch, mo con 20 23; Geneva ch 36 50; 1st ch Remsen St 80 52; Ross St ch 116 36; South Third St ch Williamsburg 30 08; 1st ch Edgewater, S I 50; Green Point ch 33 13. *Pby of Long Island*—Selden Sab-sch 97 cts; Middletown ch, Ridge District, Sab-sch 3 16. *Pby of Nassau*—Astoria ch, mo con 42 70 413 62

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SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Ozark*—Bethel ch 6 00. *Pby of St Louis*—Fulton German ch, Ladies' Socy 15; 2d ch and Sab-sch St Louis 300 321 00

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28 50; 1st ch Neshaminy. Jos Lavarell 6. *Pby of Philadelphia South*—Wharton St ch 133. *Pby of Westminster*—Slateville ch 80, Sab-sch 33 = 113 471 75

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SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Winnetka*—German ch Maryville 3; Depere ch, a lady 10. *Pby of Wisconsin River*—Pulaski ch 10; Lake View Sab-sch 5 10 28 10

Total receipts from churches, \$21,111 33

LEGACIES.—Legacy of William Gasten, Brooklyn, N Y 200; Estate of Rev W N Mebane, N C 6 25; Legacy of Wm McClintock, Pittsburg, Pa 445; Paterson Estate 88 739 25

SYNOD OF REF PRES CHURCH.—Fifth Ref Presb ch, Phila, for sup of missionaries in India 100 00

MISCELLANEOUS.—H M Lane 5; Nov Coupon 3; Martha E Denniston, Hollidaysburg, Pa 5; Mrs Hester Ayers, N Y 8; Rev E D G Prime, D.D., thank-offering for Syria Mission 500; Sylvan Retreat Sab-sch, Md 5; An aged widow of the Presb ch, per Theo Williams, Esq 310 60; James G Baldwin, Middletown, Ct, for California 5; D M H 20; Rev H C Cheadle and wife, Ohio 5; Greenhill, Mrs Morris' class of girls, for Rawal Pindi sch 5; John B Love, Phila 250; Socy of Inq, Union Theolo Sem'y 30; Rev W B Faris and wife Neoga, Ill 5 25; Hope 5; Genl G Loomis 2 50; W H 5; Contents of little girls mission box, Glasgow, O 1; Mrs Luther Halsey 4; A friend for France, Harlem 5; Isabella, for Am Indians 30; Cash 100; "O," Phila 3; J D L 50; Cash 2; Mrs C Williamson, South Hadley 5; A student, for France 2; Prof B N Martin, N Y University, for France 12 50; W H Logan, Carlisle, Pa 10; A friend of Missions 5; A dying gift of Miss Isabella M Miller, late of North Benton, Ohio, to con Levi A Miller *Life Member* 30 1,461 85

Total Receipts in November, \$23,412 43

Total Receipts from May 1st, 1870, \$91,993 85

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 Amount previously acknowledged \$36,500 00
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A SPECIMEN OF THE COLPORTEUR'S WORK.

A Colporteur in Iowa recently spent a communion Sabbath with a church in the northern portion of the State. He expressed his great gratification at finding among the *ten* who, on that day, united with the church on profession of their faith, a man who, when visited eighteen months before, ridiculed the Bible and everything connected with religion. He then gives the following account of a visit to another family :

“On a stormy day I called at a house and found all the family at home. The adult members of it were professedly pious, but they entertained sentiments somewhat different from those taught in some of my books. They soon began to find fault, and the old gentleman provokingly declared that no one possessed of common sense could believe the doctrines of the Presbyterian Church. I told him, in reply, that I had just sense enough to enable me to believe them. He then got an old Shorter Catechism, and, after reading the answer to the question ‘What are the decrees of God?’ he asked, with an air of triumph, ‘Do you believe that?’ I answered decidedly, ‘I do.’ ‘Well,’ said he, ‘such teaching is a libel on the character of the Almighty.’

“I then asked him if he had ever read a sentence like this, ‘Being predestinated according to the purpose of Him who worketh all things after the counsel of His own will.’ He thought he had never read it. I told him I had seen it somewhere. ‘Perhaps so,’ said he, ‘but it was in a Presbyterian book.’ ‘Yes, it was,’ I answered, ‘and the writer of the sentence was a rigid Presbyterian, being no other than the Apostle Paul himself. Now that is stronger language than the Catechism uses, and will you say that God’s own word is a libel on His character?’ He objected that such a doctrine destroyed man’s free agency. ‘What kind of freedom do you want?’ I asked. ‘Freedom to serve God,’ he replied. ‘Well,’ said I, ‘who denies you that freedom? You are just as free to serve God, or the devil, as the Jews were to crucify the Saviour. They acted with perfect freedom in doing that wicked deed, yet they were all the while carrying out the eternal purpose of God. “Him, *being delivered by the*

determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain," said Peter.'

"'Hold on!' said he, 'that passage doesn't say anything about an eternal purpose.'

"'But when were God's purposes made?' I asked.

"'Why,' said he, 'when He sees the necessity of doing anything He does it.'

"'Well,' I replied, 'if God finds out the necessity for acting only as human events develop it, and then purposes and acts, He knows no more than I do, and consequently is no God at all. To worship such a being as this is idolatry, for the true God seeth the end from the beginning. Besides such a God as you describe may very often be forced to change his purposes as men may change, while the God of the Bible says, "I am the Lord; I change not. My counsel shall stand and I will do all my pleasure."' "

"'Well,' said the objector, 'there are a great many things in the Presbyterian Church that I don't believe. I don't believe in "infant damnation."' "

"'Wait a moment,' said I. 'Have you anything more to say on predestination, or do you believe in it?' He said he did not believe in it. 'Then,' I answered, 'You don't believe the Bible.'

"'I don't believe in infant damnation,' he responded.

"'Neither do I, neither does the Presbyterian Church.'

"'You can't tell me anything about the Presbyterian Church,' he replied, 'I was raised in it till I was eighteen years old, and I know all about it.'

"'Well,' I answered, 'you must have been a remarkably smart boy to learn so much in that time. I have been fifty years in that Church and don't know one-half of it yet.'

"'Well,' said he, 'I believe that children are born as holy and as pure as the angels in heaven and that they are all saved.'

"'My opinion,' I replied, 'is rather more in accordance with that of the inspired Psalmist, who says, "Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me." But while I believe that children are born sinners, I also believe that all dying in infancy are saved—saved and washed from their sins in the blood of Jesus—and that they will unite in singing that song which none but *the redeemed* can sing "Unto Him that loved us and hath *washed us from our sins,*"' &c.

"'I believe that,' said he.

"'Do you believe that children are washed from their sins in the atoning blood of Jesus?' I asked. He answered that he did.

"'But,' I asked, '*from what sins* are they washed? They die before committing *actual* sin and you say they have no *original* sin to be washed away?'

"Here his wife interrupted us and said to him, 'I have told you many a time never to argue with those Presbyterians. You always get beaten and make them think they are the smartest folks in the world.'

“ ‘Beaten!’ said he, ‘there is none of them can beat me. But I must go and water the cattle.’

“ ‘Wait a moment,’ I said; ‘I want to sell you a book before you go.’ So I sold him Doddridge’s *Rise and Progress*, gave him some tracts and we went our ways—he to water his cattle and I to ride five miles in a severe snow storm.”

J. S. L.

OUR MISSION WORK.

The good done by the contributions of churches to our “Missionary Fund” is illustrated by the following acknowledgment of a donation to a destitute Sabbath-school in Indiana :

“ *Dear Sir,*—The library you donated to us has arrived, and words will fail to express to you the appreciation of it by the members of our school. The children cannot wait for the regular distribution, but crowd eagerly to get a first view and selection. We have laboured hard for the extension of the Christian work in our neighbourhood, and, although our means are limited and our members few, we thank God for the great rewards given to us, and for His abundant mercies bestowed from unexpected sources. Again, in behalf of the school, you have our thanks and our prayers for God’s blessing upon the work you have done and are doing.”

In the same vein write scores and hundreds of Sabbath-school superintendents and pastors who have been aided by the Board of Publication. Thus, from De Soto, Iowa, comes the following :

“The Sabbath-school of De Soto desire me to return sincere thanks to you for the twenty dollars worth of books given to them by the Board. The school now has a nice little collection of *ninety volumes*. Only the records of eternity will reveal the amount of good done by thus placing *good* books in the hands of the children and youth of this flourishing Iowa village. The Presbyterian church here was organized about one year ago, and has fourteen or fifteen members. They have just completed a new house of worship, and on dedication day raised nine hundred dollars in pledges to clear the building from debt. This extra and unusual burden exhausted the congregation, and help was needed to set the Sabbath-school going. By this donation of books, and also the donation of the ‘*Visitor*’ for six months, the school is placed on a good basis. Sixty to sixty-five is the average attendance. If any of the donors have opportunity ever to look in upon the school I am sure they will receive a hearty welcome, and will be richly rewarded for their good deeds done in the Master’s name.”

MEXICO.

Are our readers aware of the fact that just over the river which forms our southern border, lies one of the most inviting fields of missionary labor on the face of the round world? Do they know that those familiar with the facts would strike out the words “one of,” and say, “*the most inviting and urgent mission field in the world to-day is Mexico?*”

A work is going forward in that republic which imperatively claims our notice and calls for our aid. Despotism and Romanism, hand-in-hand, are struggling to crush civil and religious freedom. At the same time, the Spirit of God is awakening many to ask for the Way of Life. The work is one from within and not from without. It is not a mission from abroad, a foreign element, but an awakening within, among the Mexicans themselves, though aided by light that has radiated from Christian men and women from the United States. No less than *forty congregations* of Mexican men and women meet every Lord's day for worship and instruction immediately from the Bible. Multitudes are ready to read. The demand for light is pressing. Intelligent Christian men, in whom we have entire confidence, and who are engaged in this work, are begging for plain, clear statements of Bible truth to circulate broadcast so as to meet and answer the call which has been created by the Providence and Spirit of God. They have appealed to the Board of Publication for the issue of more Spanish tracts, and for grants of those already issued by the Board. They must not appeal in vain. Are there not Christian hearts that will respond to this inviting call? Contributions sent to the Board of Publication for this purpose will be used immediately and in a telling way.

TRACTS *versus* NEWSPAPERS.

A highly intelligent minister of our body, to whom the Corresponding Secretary of the Board had written to represent it in his Synod, in the course of his reply said:—

“Should there be any call for me to speak, it will be no disadvantage to me that I have, within a year, read the greater number of the tracts in your twelve bound volumes for the first time, with gratification as a Presbyterian, and spiritual profit as a Christian. I can most heartily testify to the desirableness of spreading them freely, and far and wide. Doubtless my own preaching has been more evangelical and otherwise better than it would have been, had the hours given to these tracts been devoted to the daily press, to which most ministers are tempted to give too much time. How vast would be the gain could these tracts be substituted for the myriad copies of most of the weekly papers that are *pushed* into so many families.”

DON'T FORGET IT.

Don't forget to renew your subscriptions to the SABBATH-SCHOOL VISITOR. No papers are sent after the expiration of your subscription, unless specifically ordered. The January *Visitors* will not visit your school if the year for which you have paid closed with December. Do not deprive the young people of their papers by omitting to renew your subscription.

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Blessed and glorious book! We never can have too many editions to tempt the young and the old to study its pages and drink in its lessons of wisdom and grace divine. Our Board has just got out a new, attractive, portable, and readable edition of this dear old book. It is in 16mo size, prettily bound in muslin, with a Life of Bunyan, a portrait, and numerous excellent engravings on wood. In all respects it is a desirable edition for the family and the Sabbath-school. The price (\$1.25), is very low for so handsome and valuable a book.

ANNA CLAYTON.

Those who are annoyed by the circulation of captivating tales, proving in swimming style that Baptism is immersion and only immersion, will be aided by the circulation of one of the books of the Presbyterian Board entitled "Anna Clayton." The arguments presented in the book were addressed to a sister who was unsettled in the subject of the mode of Baptism, and seeking Scripture light. She was flooded with Baptist documents, but was unwilling to accept their teachings unquestioned. She, therefore, requested her brother to aid her in the examination of their assertions. By the views presented in *Anna Clayton* she was settled in her belief, and delivered from immersionist troubles. It is in the form of a tale, and is decidedly readable. (Price \$1.50.)

"SOMETHING TO MEET EVERY INQUIRY."

From Moulton, Iowa, the Rev. William Kendrick thus acknowledges a grant from the Board of Publication:—

"I am happy to acknowledge the receipt of two dozen Social Hymn and Tune Books, together with tracts, &c., sent for the benefit of this church and people in our time of need. The variety of tracts is a very good selection, and just such as we need for distribution among this people, and, no doubt, will be instrumental in doing much good long after we have ceased our work below.

"Such expressions of a true interest in feeble churches and missionary fields, as is manifested in the donation of the books and tracts, creates an interest in the church and community that must be lasting, and binds the church to the Board of Publication in a much stronger sense than all lectures on the duty of giving to the Board could do. The variety of tracts, &c., for distribution is just such as I need to meet the errors of many of the people in this region.

"A gentleman yesterday was inquiring of me where he could get Dr.

Rice's work on Spiritualism. He wanted to send for it. I told him our Board of Publication had sent some to me. I was glad to be able to supply him. Others inquired for books, tracts, or something (they said) on Presbyterianism, and some on other subjects, and strange to say, you sent me something to meet every inquiry that has been made. The Lord, of course, must have directed you what to send, as you could not know otherwise.

"We tender our many and sincere thanks to you, the Board, and the good people who gave the means to publish books and tracts, for these weapons to enable us to fight the battles of our blessed Saviour more successfully. Please pray for us."

A WORD TO PASTORS.

Do not omit to give your congregation an opportunity to contribute to the good work of the Board of Publication. Take up the collection, and have it sent to the Treasurer before the close of our ecclesiastical year. It is not wanted for the business of the Board, but purely and solely for its Missionary Department.

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PROGRESS AND PROSPECTS OF THE WORK.

Every member of our beloved Church (especially every *contributing* member) has a right to ask, "How does the work of Church Erection advance?" Our answer to this inquiry is of a duplex and rather contradictory character. The importance of our work was never so clearly demonstrated. The desire and necessity for church building, the imperative demand for more sanctuaries, not only for the accommodation of God's poor people, but also for the reception of "those without," who are willing, at least, to hear the truth of God's word, has never been so great. The liberality and spirit of self-sacrifice manifested by our newly organized and feeble churches, especially in our new States and Territories, is highly encouraging. The gratitude manifested by many of those who have received our aid in their efforts to build, and, above all, the manifest tokens of God's favor, in the enlargement of the spiritual house, where, amidst much self-denial, the people have reared the outer temple for God's worship, is very cheering to all who love the gates of Zion. The hearts of not a few of those devoted missionaries sent out by our Board of Home Missions, have been greatly encouraged and their hands strengthened, by the enlarged congregations to whom they now break the bread of life in the comfortable sanctuaries, which, with our aid, they have been enabled to build. Nearly two hundred of these houses of worship have been completed within the last few months, and are now filled from Sabbath to Sabbath with devout and attentive congregations. Some of the ministers who occupy these pulpits are now demitting, at least a portion, if not the whole of the aid, they have for years been receiving from the Board of Missions.

This view of the subject presents a bright and encouraging picture. But the picture has another side, which in faithfulness we must present.

It was hoped and confidently expected, that one of the blessed fruits of reunion would be, an increase of means with which to carry forward with accelerated force, this, as well as the other agencies of the Church. In this hope we have been disappointed. The Bible rule of increased power as the result of *union*, "One shall chase a *thousand*, and two shall put *ten thousand* to flight," has not been realized. On the contrary, for some months after the consolidation of the two Boards, there has been a falling off in our receipts. In June, the first month of the union, our receipts were \$3,939.24 instead of \$4,254.71 during the same month of last year. In July, \$5,103.63 instead of \$8,160.60 last year, and in August, \$3,265.65 instead of \$8,451.23 last year. Thus, in three months of the present year, instead of an increase, there has been a falling off in our receipts of \$8,557.97. During this time, there has been an increase of demand for aid, from our feeble and houseless churches, of nearly one hundred per cent. As a necessary consequence, the balance of \$24,000 in our Treasury when the union took place, has been exhausted, and the Board is now \$18,000 in debt.

We have thus far shrunk from the responsibility of rejecting the applications for aid, that are pouring in upon us from all directions, although we have not been able to grant the full amount asked for. In hope of the Church coming up more fully and liberally to our aid, we have gone on in faith, to make appropriations. But we have now reached a point beyond which we cannot go with safety, until our Treasury is replenished. Already churches are complaining, that for want of the aid they expected from us, they are obliged to stop work on their buildings, which will be injured by exposure during the winter; while others are in danger of being sold by the sheriff, and thus all that has been expended upon them must be sacrificed, and the flattering prospects of the church be blasted. This is a result greatly to be deprecated.

There are *special* reasons why the cause of Church Erection, instead of being permitted to languish, should be pushed forward *just at this time*, with redoubled energy.

1st. This is a *memorial* year, in which we have promised great things, and great things are expected of us.

2d. The number of newly organized and shelterless churches is greater than ever before.

3d. The offer of lots for churches and parsonages by railroad and land companies to such denominations as will *first* occupy the ground and erect church buildings, is a strong reason why we should go forward without delay. Already we have lost some such offers, not only of land, but also of money to aid in the erection of the buildings. A year or two hence, lots which may *now* be had as gifts, will cost hundreds of dollars, and many of the people who would gladly fall in with us, having given their money, and in this way become connected with other denominations, will be lost to the Presbyterian Church.

4th. The erection of church buildings *now* will be the means of retaining some of our missionaries on the field, who have written to us that if a house of worship cannot be secured for them, they must abandon their work, as they can accomplish but little without one.

Lastly, (for we must not enlarge,) four hundred dollars given *now* to assist in building a church for one of our Home Missionaries, will save more than double that amount to our Board of Missions, by enabling him to gather a self-sustaining congregation.

One good missionary in the West, after making an earnest application to our Board of Church Erection, writes thus to Dr. Kendall: "Will you not use your influence to secure for us five hundred dollars from the Board of Church Erection? If we can get that, I will donate one hundred dollars of my allowance from your Board for this year, and next year ask for nothing." Other cases of a similar kind might be cited.

If we are asked what has caused this falling off in the receipts of our treasury? we answer: 1st. There seems to be a false impression of this kind. Now that we are a united and greatly enlarged Church; as there are nearly twice the number of contributors, there is not so much necessity for *us* to contribute so largely. Such persons do not consider that if there are twice the number of contributing churches, there are more than twice the number of applications for aid. 2d. The unusually large number of *local* and *special* objects that have been undertaken as memorial efforts, which in many instances are suffered to take the place of the regular contributions to the Board. We know that this was not the design of the originators of this great movement, nor is it the wish of the Memorial Committee; nevertheless such is the fact, in many instances, as we have opportunity to know. The Stated Clerk of one of our large and wealthy Presbyteries, numbering twenty-three churches and two thousand three hundred and eighty-two church members, gives us official notice, that our Board need not expect any contributions from them this year, as they intend to aid one of their feeble congregations in erecting a *Memorial Church*. Now, if all our Presbyteries should follow this noble example what would become of the cause of Church Erection?

In the name of the Board—nay, in the name of our blessed Lord and Master, let me ask the churches, and every one into whose hands this article may fall, what answer shall we give to the scores of poor and feeble churches, who are knocking at the door of our empty treasury for aid? Shall we be compelled to say to them, stand out in the cold for another winter, or give up the field to other denominations, who with less of wealth, are far surpassing us, in planting churches and erecting for them houses of worship, or will you by your contributions authorize us to say to these our needy brethren, "arise and build?"

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION, NOVEMBER 1870—*In part.*

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Albany 1st ch	\$108 00	<i>Pby of Chenango</i> —Slippery Rock ch Sab-sch	1 54
<i>Pby of Alton</i> —Anna 1st ch 4; Alton 1st 31 05	35 05	<i>Pby of Dayton</i> —Clifton ch	49 50
<i>Pby of Butler</i> —Middlesex ch	15 00	<i>Pby of Dume</i> —Prairie du Sac ch	27 95
<i>Pby of Baltimore</i> —New Windsor ch	4 00	<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Maysville ch	19 00
<i>Pby of Bureau</i> —Malden ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Edinboro' ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Gilman ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch 5; New	
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Healdsburg ch	4 00	Lancaster ch 6 21	11 21
<i>Pby of Boston</i> —Newburyport 1st ch	18 44	<i>Pby of Genesee</i> —Byron ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Catskill</i> —Durham ch	14 00	<i>Pby of Geneva</i> —Dundee ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Chicago North ch 5 20; Lake		<i>Pby of Highland</i> —Holton ch	5 90
Forest ch 100	105 20	<i>Pby of Humboldt</i> —Ottawa ch	9 15
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Lane Seminary ch	76 22	<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Scotchtown ch 20; Florida ch	
<i>Pby of Chemung</i> —Waverly ch	30 00	5; do Sab-sch 1	26 00
<i>Pby of Connecticut</i> —South Salem ch 94; South		<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Huntingdon ch	103 20
East ch 3 66; South East Centre ch 10	107 66	<i>Pby of Huron</i> —Lyne ch	15 80
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Elkton ch	8 00		

(To be continued.)

RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS, AND THE NEEDY WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

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BALANCE OF RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER, WITH PART OF NOVEMBER.

MINNESOTA.			
Minneapolis, Westminster Pres ch,	\$37 14	Amsterdam 1st Pres ch,	15 00
Minneapolis, Westminster Sab-sch,	18 86	Syracuse 1st Ward Pres ch,	25 00
Red Wood Falls Pres ch,	4 00	Smithfield Pres ch,	11 80
Beaver Falls Pres ch,	1 00	Amsterdam Village Pres ch,	26 60
St Cloud Pres ch,	5 25	Carlisle Pres ch,	8 00
S. Paul, Central Pres ch,	38 65	Esperance Pres ch,	4 00
Sheldon Pres ch,	2 00	Johnstown Pres ch,	34 02
Rochester, Anonymous,	10 00	Albany, State Street Pres ch,	120 03
St Peter, Union Pres ch,	22 35	West Hampton Pres ch,	16 00
St Anthony Pres ch,	13 84	Speonk Pres ch,	2 00
		Head of Delaware Pres ch,	12 65
		Saratoga Spa Sab-sch,	22 32
		Sullivan Co. Bethel Pres ch,	5 00
		Woodside, Troy Pres ch,	5 00
		Oyster Bay, "Anonymous,"	7 21
		Middle Hope Pres ch,	6 00
		Buffalo, "L. M. S.,"	5 00
		Sparta 2d Pres ch,	6 50
		New York, "Anonymous,"	3 00
		Gouverneur Pres ch,	12 25
		Hamilton Union Pres ch,	7 90
		Morristown Pres ch,	4 50
		Oswegatchie 2d Pres ch,	12 00
		Moscow Pres ch,	15 00
		Oak's Corners Pres ch,	5 00
		Union ch. of Tuscarora and Union Corners	19 45
		Newland Miss Chapel Sab-sch, additional,	1 00
		Clarkson Pres ch,	8 00
		(L. I.), Setauket Pres ch,	10 00
		Waterville Pres ch,	14 00
		New Scotland Pres ch,	23 34
		Utica, Bethany Pres ch,	44 51
		New York City, Scotch Pres ch,	184 30
		New York City, Chelsea Pres ch,	7 00
		Hopewell Pres ch,	25 00
		Huntington 1st Pres ch,	34 42
		Peekskill 1st Pres ch,	34 30
		Brooklyn, Throop Ave Pres ch,	21 93
		East Hamburg Pres ch,	5 00
		Marlborough Pres ch,	12 50
		Geneva Pres ch,	67 16
		Middletown Pres ch,	17 42
		Port Jarvis Pres ch,	32 00
		Galway Pres ch,	8 50
		Ogden Pres ch,	18 65
		Painted Post Pres ch,	5 00
		Crawford 1st Pres ch,	13 00
		Keeseville Pres ch,	24 27
		(L. I.), Centre-Moriches Pres ch,	14 00
		Danville Pres ch,	18 49
		Groveland Pres ch,	10 00
		Port Jarvis Pres ch, (additional),	1 00
		Binghamton North Pres ch,	7 91
		Yorktown Pres ch,	20 00
		Almond Pres ch,	16 85
		Fresh Pond Pres ch,	4 00
		South Salem Pres ch,	36 50
		Florida Pres ch,	5 00
		Albany 1st Pres ch,	72 00
		New York City, Houston and Thompson Sts	2 00
		Pres ch,	92 00
		New York City, Thirteenth St Pres ch,	49 50
		Oswego Pres ch,	27 00
		Carmel, Gilead Pres ch,	32 02
		Newburg, Calvary Pres ch,	32 02
			OHIO.
		Red Oak Pres ch,	\$12 50
		Hillsboro' Pres ch,	124 50
		Circleville, Central Pres ch,	20 10
		Cambridge Pres ch,	15 00
		Central College Pres ch,	4 00
		Uniontown, Rev J P Caldwell,	13 20
		Mt Gilead Pres ch,	24 50
			9 13

Chesterville Pres ch,	5 75	Carlisle 2d Pres ch,	91 82
Liberty Pres ch,	6 50	Butler Pres ch,	40 00
New Hagerstown Pres ch,	18 00	Mt Nebo Pres ch,	5 00
Middleport Pres ch,	7 86	Philadelphia, Mr John Reid,	5 00
Pleasant Hill Pres ch,	5 15	Bellefonte Pres ch,	125 00
Rock Hill Pres ch,	16 40	Mifflinburg Pres ch,	8 55
Bucyrus 1st Pres ch,	23 00	Neshannock Pres ch,	40 75
Millford Centre Pres ch,	4 00	Chillisquaque Pres ch,	12 00
Marietta G Burlingame,	5 00	Mooreburg Pres ch,	7 00
Wooster 49 05, Ashland 35, Long Run 17 60, (less 28 cents postage),	101 37	Rev C H Park,	5 00
Bethesda Pres ch,	10 00	Shippensburg Pres ch,	21 00
Northfield Pres ch,	5 00	Barclay Pres ch,	5 10
Toledo Pres ch,	15 75	Germantown 1st Pres ch,	195 00
Monroe Pres ch,	12 00	York, "anonymous,"	12 00
Keene Pres ch,	14 00	Bellefield Pres ch,	25 41
Apple Creek Pres ch,	33 00	Brandywine Pres ch,	23 70
North Fork Pres ch,	7 25	Market Square ch, Germantown,	19 00
Fredericktown Pres ch,	11 45	Philadelphia, North Pres ch,	72 00
Uriehsville Pres ch,	5 00	Slate Lick Pres ch,	13 00
Mt Pleasant Pres ch,	22 63	Slatington Pres ch,	25 00
Oak Ridge Pres ch,	15 01	Lower Marsh Creek Pres ch,	10 75
East Hopewell Pres ch,	15 00	Philadelphia, Kensington 1st Pres ch,	36 00
Nashville Pres ch,	8 50	Harbor Creek Pres ch,	11 07
Martinville Pres ch,	15 00	Pesantville Pres ch,	43 00
Radnor Pres ch,	4 00	Petersburg Pres ch,	5 00
Springfield 2d Pres ch,	100 00	Upper Octorara Pres ch,	20 09
Cincinnati 2d Pres ch,	157 36	Warrenham Pres ch,	5 30
Waterford Pres ch,	1 85	Philadelphia, North Tenth St Pres ch,	29 43
Rev J M Wampler, late Treas of the Synod of Cincinnati (O S), per Robt Sutton,	250 00	Canton Pres ch,	10 00
Cummingsville Pres ch,	14 00	McEwensville Pres ch,	5 00
Springdale Pres ch,	33 75	Philadelphia West Arch St Pres ch,	63 70
Avondale Pres ch,	20 00	Upper West Nottingham Pres ch,	10 45
Zanesville 1st Pres ch,	15 00	Washington Pres ch, Presbytery of Northumberland,	14 90
Hanging Rock 1st Pres ch,	28 20	Slateville Pres ch,	24 00
Morristown Pres ch,	6 05	Williamsburg Pres ch,	20 00
Greenfield Pres ch,	10 00	Wattsburg Pres ch,	8 82
Findlay Pres ch,	76 65	Slate Ridge Pres ch,	16 30
Canal Fulton Pres ch,	10 00	Philadelphia, Westminster Pres ch,	14 00
Dalton Pres ch,	24 50	Birmingham Pres ch,	61 50
Brown Pres ch,	8 75	Philadelphia 1st Pres ch,	411 00
Delta Pres ch,	4 00	Altoona 2d Pres ch,	48 00
Bloomfield Pres ch,	11 20	Chestnut Hill Pres ch,	175 00
Centre Unity Pres ch,	3 00	Milroy Pres ch,	25 00
Havesville Pres ch,	12 25	Marple Pres ch,	26 02
McKay Pres ch,	6 55	Allegheny City, North Pres ch,	65 00
Milan Pres ch,	23 00	Middle Tuscarora Pres ch,	33 00
Ridge Pres ch,	11 00	Philadelphia Central Pres ch,	101 07
Dayton 3d Pres ch,	41 63	Darby 1st ch,	7 75
Columbus 1st ch,	71 90	Philadelphia, Cohocksink Pres ch,	43 22
Piqua Pres ch,	17 41	Bald Eagle and Nuttany Pres ch,	6 40
Lima Central Pres ch,	4 00	Jefferson Summit Pres ch,	6 10
Millersburg Pres ch,	10 14		
PENNSYLVANIA.			
Waynesburg Pres ch,	\$23 75	Fairview 5 30, Morgantown 21 42	26 72
Washingtonville Pres ch,	5 00	Clarksburg 9 67, Hollidays Cove 7	16 67
Rushville Pres ch,	3 00	Forks of Wheeling Pres ch	54 00
Stevensville Pres ch,	3 00	WISCONSIN.	
Abington Pres ch,	31 00	Oakland 5 60, Platteville 2 50	8 10
Spring Hill Furnace Pres ch,	10 00	Horicon 10, Lodi 10 01	20 01
Mahanoy City 1st Pres ch,	37 81	Juneau Pres ch,	7 00
Philadelphia, Woodland Pres ch,	55 41	Stevens Point,	12 50
Pittsburgh, Central Pres ch,	121 00	ILLINOIS.	
Spring Creek Pres ch,	121 00	Nashville Pres ch,	\$10 00
New Salem Pres ch,	19 14	Bloomington Pres ch,	42 00
Dauphin Pres ch,	16 70	Virginia Pres ch,	8 00
Greenville Pres ch,	12 00	Shawneetown Pres ch,	30 65
Pisgah Pres ch,	7 39	Lewistown Pres ch,	34 40
Philadelphia, South Pres ch,	28 31	El Passo Pres ch,	9 00
Mansfield Pres ch,	16 25	Harvard Pres ch,	4 00
Monteurs Pres ch,	14 00	Cedarville Pres ch,	10 00
Manchester Sab-sch,	6 00	Lebanon, Rev Lyman Marshall (to Memorial Fund),	5 00
Leetsdale Pres ch,	36 23	Alton 1st Pres ch Sab-sch, "Little Banks,"	8 75
Parnassus Pres ch,	17 34	Andover Pres ch,	5 00
Millvale Pres ch,	5 66	Pisgah Pres ch,	10 00
Plum Creek Pres ch,	16 00	Huntsville Pres ch,	2 00
Westfield Pres ch,	25 62	Brooklin Pres ch,	1 50
Glade Run Pres ch,	11 00	Malden Pres ch,	4 00
Worthington Pres ch,	9 00	Chicago, North Pres ch,	8 00
Mt Prospect Pres ch,	28 15	(To be continued.)	
Mansfield Pres ch,	3 00		\$8,010 63
Allegheny 1st ch Sab-sch,	38 10		
McClellandtown Pres ch,	6 00		
Philadelphia, Conshohocken Pres ch,	8 00		
Philadelphia 7th Pres ch,	85 10		

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FROM MINISTERS.

NORTH CAROLINA.—A missionary in this State writes: "I have been holding communion meetings this month at Rocky River and Concord. We received twelve new members at Rocky River, and expect to receive others at our next meeting. . . . At Concord we received six last Sabbath. We have seldom had so pleasant meetings as these. All our churches seem to grow in grace, and knowledge, and good order."

Later he writes: "I have commenced to operate among the people in behalf of the mission, including the Memorial Fund. Last Sabbath I presented the cause at Poplar Tent. We raised in a short time eighty-seven dollars—nine fives for the Five Million Fund, and the rest in smaller amounts for the Boards, including the Committee. I think that we will raise in that church near one hundred dollars. . . . I shall present the cause on the three following Sabbaths in the other churches. These collections will be on the condition that Scotia Seminary will come in for its share of the Five Million Fund." This seminary is located at Concord, N. C., is for colored girls, has lately been chartered, *needs funds*, and is well worthy of being carefully fostered.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—To one of our churches in this State, there have lately been added on examination, in a single month, ninety-eight persons, about fifty of whom were baptized. A portion, at least, of the remainder had been members of the church before the war. At a point about nine miles distant from this church, forty-one persons have signed a petition to Presbytery for the organization of a Presbyterian church there, and we are told that "there are persons there who have their minds made up to be earnest workers in the church."

Adverse.—Rev. Ishmael Moultrie, our colored minister on Edisto Island, writes that just three days before he was to pay ninety or one hundred dollars for an acre of land (for a site for the Edisto church) the house of their treasurer was consumed by fire, and with it, all the papers and one hundred and sixty dollars belonging to the church. This was a heavy stroke on that poor struggling people, and he asks: "What shall be done? Can we get any assistance?" and request prayers "that the good Lord" may send them speedy relief.

GEORGIA.—Rev. Joseph Williams ("Uncle Joe,") reports twenty persons lately added to the church in two months, sixteen of whom were received on examination, and the remaining four from other denominations; and with a membership in one of his churches of nearly six hundred persons, says, "I think now that I have all the sinners that are in my congregation except the children."

FROM TEACHERS.

One lady writes, "School is very pleasant and prospering nicely. I have commenced a night-school for young men who cannot get into day-school. It is something of a *cross*, after a wearying day in school, to go out again at night, when it would be so pleasant to sit down at home and rest; but we hope to see the fruit of *our* labour after many days.

"On Thanksgiving we had such a good meeting. . . We circulated the word through the children, that we would observe the day. 'Uncle Wash' conducted the meeting, and the congregation was larger than on Sabbath; every one enjoyed it."

Another lady writes, "Our school increases in interest as well as numbers. I think the attendance good, since a number, probably one-half, walk from one to three miles each day. Some are so eager to learn, that the only way we rest a moment, is to walk a half mile at noon for dinner. Then Charlie or George stands, with books in hand, looking after us most wishfully, as a river cannot be found, or a problem solved, &c., &c. It is hard, but we cannot help it. If we had a dozen heads and hands they would be all occupied."

SCHOOL HOUSE AND SCHOOL.—A lady teaching in South Carolina says, "My school house is roughly built of logs, without windows, chimney, or door. *Windows* we do not need at present, either for light or ventilation, for I can put my arm, and almost my head, out any where between the logs. . . . The floor is loosely laid, and the roof only slightly covered; so we have plenty of 'sky-lights.' For seats the boys have picked up 'chinks,' and a few slabs left from the flooring. A short bit of plank resting on two 'chinks,' is 'teacher's seat;' but they have promised to 'establish a chair' for me soon. . . . Cold days we move out doors and build a fire there. Wish you could see us under the pine trees hovering, or rather *shivering*, over a little fire, busy with our books the while. It makes my heart ache though, to see the poor bare feet trying to feel the warmth, and the rag of a shawl drawn more closely around the little figure; and, I think, if Christians at the North could only see us, they would surely not refuse to give us the little we need to make our school-house comfortable. . . .

DONATIONS AT PITTSBURGH FOR COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN NOVEMBER, 1870.

Corfu ch. Presby of Genesee	\$10 00	Lexington ch. Presby of Ebenezer	284 15
South Third Street ch, Williamsburg, Presby of Brooklyn	14 77	Las Vegas ch. Presby of Santa Fe	1 00
S W Brewster, Hannibal, N Y, Presby of Oswego	5 00	Sab-sch of Watertown ch, Presby of Troy,	10 36
Jno E Parsons, Presby of New York	25 00	A lady in Rochester, Minn	10 00
Geo D Moore, Presby of Newark	5 00	Grace ch, St Louis, Mo. (Memorial Fund)	25 00
Ch of Covenant, Presby of New York	2 00	First ch, Huntington, L I, Presby of Nassau	32 08
A dying gift of Miss Isabella M Miller, late of North Benton, O (Memorial Fund)	20 00	Memorial ch. Presby of Brooklyn	26 00
First ch, Hanover, N J. Presby of Rockaway	44 25	E Gere, Brooklyn, Pa. Presby of Montrose	6 00
Willie Platt, Scranton, Pa	1 00	Wm A Torrey, for Montclair ch, Presby of Newark, to support teacher	250 00
Thos Denny, Presby of New York	25 00	Ch of Covenant, add'l. Presby of New York	110 00
S S Hartzell, Presby of Chicago	10 00	Newark Central ch, Presby of Newark	88 28
Hoffman Miss'y Soc'y, Madison, N J, Presby of Orange	20 00	School at Louisburg, N C. Presby of Yadkin	2 00
Hon J W Edwards, Presby of Lake Superior	200 00	Central ch, Presby of Pittsburgh	52 69
Lane Seminary ch, Presby of Cincinnati	20 00	R P R, Washington, Pa	2 50
Succasunna ch. Presby of Rockaway	10 00	Salem ch. Presby of Waterloo	11 20
Fresh Pond, Presby of Long Island	7 00	Estate of Washington McCintock, late of Pittsburgh, Pa	445 00
First ch, Peekskill, Presby of Long Island	34 95	Malden ch, Illinois	4 25
Armagh ch, Presby of Blairsville	4 50	Sterling ch, Presby of Rock River	63 00
Centreville ch. Presby of Blairsville	3 50		\$2,703 79
W E Dodge, Presby of New York	50 00	<i>Money received and expended in the Field.</i>	
Covenant colored ch. Presby of New York	1 61	<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Charleston sch 19 10; Knox Plantation sch 2; Edisto ch 6; Salem ch 2 50	
Siloam ch. Presby of Brooklyn	9 16		
Mrs M A Blair, Belvidere, N J	5 00	<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Bellefonte sch 1 45; Charlotte ch 9; Miranda ch 2; Love's chapel 1 40; Murkland's chapel 2 80; Hamilton ch 3 19 65	
Rev T J Evans, of Greenbush ch, Presby of New York	8 00	<i>Pby of Holston</i> —New Market sch 19; New Hope sch 50 cts; Greeneville sch 7 65 27 15	
Fulton ch, Illinois	10 00	<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Atlanta ch and sch 12 45; Dalton ch 5; Williams sch 14 31 45	
A Friend, Synod of Syracuse	5 00	<i>Pby of Nashville</i> —Columbia sch 35 15	
First New Brunswick ch, Presby of New Brunswick	10 00	<i>Pby of Yadkin</i> —Salisbury ch and sch 5 40; Oakland ch 2; Gold Hill 1 80; Statesville ch 2 10; Mocksville ch 8 25; Mount Vernon ch 36; Mount Zion ch 4 69 55	
First Mt Pleasant ch, Presby of Iowa	42 95	<i>No Presbyterial Connection.</i> —	
German ch, Mt Pleasant, Presby of Iowa	3 85	Amelia C H, Va, sch 5 00	
La Crosse ch, Presby of Chippewa	5 88		
North La Crosse, Presby of Chippewa	2 12		
Kingston ch, N J	21 56		
First Newburyport ch, Presby of Boston	14 35		
Portville ch, Presby of Genesee Valley	30 00		
Hermon ch. Presby of Shenango	43 29		
First Wheeling ch, Presby of Washington	45 00		
Hopkinton ch, Presby of Dubuque	7 25		
First ch, Morristown, N J	68 54		
Second ch, Springfield, O. Presby of Dayton	75 00		
Bacon Ridge ch, Presby of Steubenville	10 00		
East Springfield ch. Presby of Steubenville	11 00		
Thorntown ch, Presby of Crawfordsville	16 15		
An aged widow in the Presbyterian ch	310 60		
Salem ch, Presby of Erie	13 00		

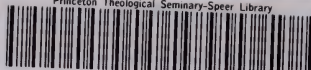
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